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WAR DEBTS.

BRITISH NOTE TO FRANCE.

THE BALFOUR PRINCIPLE.

London, Feb. 8.

A British Note to France with regard to the French debt states that the Government adheres to the Principle of the Balfour Note, but parts of Lord Curzon's Note of August 11th, 1923 referring to Mr. Bonar Law's proposals of January, 1923, are clearly no longer applicable to existing facts of the situation, as it was written before framing the Dawos plan, and on the assumption that the total German liability be fixed at a figure less than that adopted in the Dawos plan and that bonds of the kind contemplated in Mr. Bonar Law's plan would be issued.

These assumptions are no longer tenable.

The principle of the Balfour Note is that Britain shall receive from Europe payments equivalent to those she is under obligation to make to the United States. The Government cannot accept a position in which this principle would only be achievable upon the basis of a full normal yield of the Dawos annuities or by taking at value debts which cannot at present be treated as good assets.

The Government has already consented not merely to reduce the claims against the Allies to the amount necessary to cover its own payments in respect of the British war debt to the United States, but will actually apply the whole United Kingdom share of German reparations to that purpose. This means that Britain not only takes to its own charge the whole of its own war damages, but also eight hundred millions sterling of foreign securities devoted by her to the general effort before the United States entered the war.

In the application of the Balfour Note to the existing situation the Government, remembering that the inter-Allied debts were incurred in a common cause, has been prepared to consider proposals under which the existing French debt to Britain shall be reduced, provided the principle of definite payment by France from her own national resources, and fixed with due regard to her relative wealth and tax-paying capacity, be assured without reference to reparations.

The Government therefore is of opinion that it might be found convenient for the French payments to be divided into, firstly, fixed annual amounts to be paid by France irrespective of actual receipts from the Dawos annuities in the particular year, and secondly a further annual charge on the French share of the Dawos annuities. It is of course shall be understood, firstly that all counter-claims by France against Britain be surrendered, if and when payments derived by Britain from European war debts and reparations were sufficient to provide a full discharge of the British obligations to the United States over the full period of such obligations, including payments already made, then any surplus shall be used to diminish the burden of Britain's Allies.

The Government hopes, if the French Government is prepared to make proposals on the lines here suggested, that a settlement satisfactory to both countries might be reached.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH SHIP CAPTURED.

ALLEGED RUM-RUNNER.

New York, Feb. 8.

Coast guardsmen have brought into harbour the British steamer *Homestead*, laden with twelve thousand cases of liquor, also twenty-eight of the crew, who were captured.

It is understood the vessel was seized within "one hour's steaming from the shore."

It is reported that the coast-guard ship fired several rounds from its three pounder guns, wounding some of the crew of the *Homestead*.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SHARE MARKET.

ELECTRIC COMPANY RUMOURS.

The feature of an otherwise rather dull share market to-day has been the strong enquiry for Hongkong Electric Company's shares. Business was done in this stock during the past week at \$47½, but the price has now hardened to \$49 for cash, whilst as much as \$52 for April has been paid on forward deals. Buyers predominate.

There are many speculations rife as to the reason for this appreciation, the rumours varying between the statement that a lighting contract has been secured for Kulangan (Amoy), that a bonus of \$1 per share is going to be paid and that an amalgamation is to take place between the Electric Company and the Gas Company. Whether there is any foundation for the above speculations we have been unable to discover.

WEST RIVER NOTES.

TAX ON FIREWOOD.

The water on the Second Bar, which had temporarily risen to over nine feet, has now gone down again, and there was only 8 ft. 5 in. there on Saturday.

The military authorities at Wuchow have now imposed a tax levy of \$3 on each thousand-bundles of firewood exported. An each lighter carries about 6,000 bundles of full cargo to be loaded on the larger junks and the smaller sampans, this constitutes a very heavy expenditure, and as a consequence, the exporting merchants have refused to send any lumber or firewood down the river for the time being. In fact, there has not been a cargo of firewood arriving at either Hongkong or Canton from West River ports since the Chinese New Year, and this will naturally effect an increase in prices and a shortage of supplies both at Hongkong and Canton.

Sam Shui, Feb. 8.

There is now one foot below zero on the tide gauge here, which means that there are 10 feet of water on the bar at the entrance to the harbour.

The difficulty of getting enough sampans to feed the river steamers is continuing, as the so-called military police at present only allow 20 sampans to run, of which two are always full of "soldier patrols." The authorities in charge have even taken away the licences of the steamship companies' own sampans, and it is known that several riverboat captains have prevailed upon the Commissioner of Customs to try and induce the mandarins of the district to be more liberal with the issuing of sampan licences.

While the sampans at Wuchow are all registered at the Chinese Maritime Customs, the military magistrate is the only man to deal with them at Sam Shui. A tax of one dollar a day is being enforced. The allowing of only twenty sampans to run is not only seriously impeding the river-boat passenger traffic, but causing great hardship to the rest of the sampan population here, which is said to number about 3,000 people.

OPIUM SESSION.

NOT AN ENTIRE FAILURE.

Geneva, Feb. 8.

At a plenary sitting yesterday afternoon the Opium Conference passed the reports of the sub-committee, and after the explanation of the Indian delegation, reserved for further consideration the question of hemp in connection with the inclusion of hashish in the list of dangerous drugs; also the question of heroin.

M. Toivola (Finland) submitting a report by committee sixteen on the American proposals and British and French statements, said the failure to reach an agreement was more apparent than real.

\$20,000 JUDGMENT.

COMPRADORE'S CLAIM AGAINST LOCAL FIRM.

In an *ex parte* action heard before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, this morning, judgment for \$20,000 was given against Messrs Henri Krebs and Company and Henri Krebs.

The claim was made by Kwok Ping, until midsummer last year compradore of the Company, who was represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C.

Mr. Potter, in his opening, said that the defendant company were merchants carrying on business at King's Building. The plaintiff entered into a contract with them under which he was to act as compradore for five years. Section 17 provided that he should deposit the sum of \$25,000 with a bank to be named by the firm and that it should be in the joint names of himself and the firm. He was to pay a further \$15,000 into the account after one year. He was to receive interest at the rate of three per cent. per annum, but should the company require any part of the sum for a bona fide reason, they had the right to borrow it and pay interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum. Section 5 of the agreement provided that the compradore could, by giving three months' notice, nullify the compradore agreement.

Kwok Ping, continued Mr. Potter, paid the sum named, subsequently withdrew \$15,000, and paid in two further sums of \$5,000 each, so that when he gave three months' notice on May 22nd, last year, there was \$20,000 due to him. The money had been transferred into another account at the Bank of China to cover company's credits, and when plaintiff's solicitors wrote to the defendants in reference to the matter, they replied that they had a substantial claim, amounting to \$60,000, against Kwok Ping. They had made no attempt to press that claim and, in fact, they had ignored requests for particulars. On June 30th, the compradore was ordered by letter to give up his office by one o'clock that day.

Kwok Ping gave formal evidence to this effect, and His Lordship gave judgment for \$20,000 and costs.

The speeches, at this morning's sitting of the conference, by British, French and Dutch delegates clearly showed their Governments were ready to suppress the use of opium, and agreed that the League of Nations should fix the date from which the period of fifteen years should run. If the producing countries adopted a similar attitude the opium problem could be solved very soon.

On a motion by Lord Cecil the conference adopted the principle of the protocol of the second convention, with some modification of article one with regard to control of the production and distribution of raw opium, in order to satisfy the scruples of Yugoslavia, Turkey and Persia. Lord Cecil remarked that this was a great step in the advance.

CHINA'S WITHDRAWAL.

In a letter notifying the withdrawal of China, Doctor Sze stated that the present conditions in China unfortunately made it impossible for the Chinese Government to enforce effectively its policy of prohibiting the production of opium for other than medicinal and scientific purposes, but these conditions were only temporary, and the Government of China gave an assurance that it would not depart from this policy, and would exert all its power to enforce the policy independently of the action of other Powers, and also hoped the latter would make every effort to prevent the illegal traffic in opium and narcotic drugs and progressively suppress the legalised use of prepared opium.—*Reuter.*

LOCAL RETIREMENTS.

MR. H. PERCY SMITH.

One of the best-known personalities in Hongkong—namely, Mr. H. Percy Smith—is, it is announced, retiring from business on account of ill-health. For over twenty years, he has resided in the Colony, during which period he has made a host of friends, who will wish him a speedy restoration to health. Apart from his business as a chartered accountant, Mr. Smith, has come into prominence locally by reason of his distinguished career as a Freemason, being a member of the 3rd degree, whilst by his genial personality and happy disposition, he has become a great favourite in social circles.

Mr. Percy Smith was educated at Wolverhampton Grammar School, and later was articled to Mr. Lawley T. Smith (his brother) as an accountant, eventually going into partnership with him. Then from 1893 to 1904, he was a partner in the firm of Allen Edwards and Smith, chartered accountants of Birmingham and Wolverhampton, whilst in June of the latter year he came to Hongkong, being a partner in the firm of Percy Smith and Seth. Later, the firm was enlarged and became known as Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, in which Mr. Smith has ever since held a partnership and from which he is now retiring. A Freemason, Mr. Percy Smith is a founder of several Lodges and Chapters, including that of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Hongkong and Shanghai, as well as D.G.S. of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, and the Peace for Hongkong.

ARCHDEACON BARNETT.

Another retirement announced is that of that of the Venerable Archdeacon Barnett, M.A., who, with Mrs. Barnett, will be leaving for home next month. Educated at Trinity College, Melbourne, where he was Scholar and Prize-man, Archdeacon Barnett later became Headmaster of Caulfield Grammar School, which position



he held from 1888 to 1896. He then became associated with the Church Missionary Society, and for the past eighteen years he has been in the Colony, holding the positions of Archdeacon of Hongkong, organising secretary of the South China Mission of the C. M. S. and Warden of St. Stephen's College. He has taken a very prominent and able part in the religious life of the Colony, as well as in missionary work in South China, and his numerous friends much regret his pending retirement from a sphere where he has worked so faithfully and well.

FATAL FIRE IN BARRACKS.

MANY PERSONS KILLED.

Paris, Feb. 8.

Thirteen persons were killed and 15 seriously injured by the collapse of a wall during a fire in a disused barracks at Bessiers. The dead are mostly soldiers and firemen.—*Reuter.*

THE RENT QUESTION.

INTERESTING LETTERS.

We have received the following letters for publication:—

Sir,—I have been waiting for someone more competent than myself to reply to the astounding statements made in the interview with Mr. Henry Humphreys on the rent question which appeared in your issue of Friday. The assertion that rents in the Colony are not high enough is one of the most humorous observations I have encountered for many years.

I do not intend, however, to treat this matter in humorous strain, because it is one which concerns the whole population and if it is not justly dealt with, I fear there will be very serious trouble. The remarks which Mr. Humphreys made regarding the subletting of land to make a red herring drawn across the path to divert attention from the main issue. There is, it is true, much profiteering by people who sublet premises, but what has that got to do with the matter of the Ordinance? Such an evil could exist whether the Rents Ordinance remained or not. At any rate, Sir, two blacks will never make a white.

Mr. Humphreys says rents are not high enough, because in some cases a fair return is not secured considering the present high cost of building. But to repeal the Rents Ordinance would not cheapen building costs. The present high cost of building only affects new property, which does not come under the Rents Ordinance.

Personally I do not see what the landlords have to complain of in the rent control law. On old property they are allowed to charge a rent which is quite high enough—much higher than much of it fetched before the Ordinance came into being. On new houses, they can charge whatever they like. So wherein comes the hardship?

If the Rents Ordinance is not renewed, there will be a great public outcry. Rents on old property will go up by leaps and bounds, and everybody will be compelled to ask for more salary to meet the increase. This will send up the cost of living all round. Such, Sir, will be some of the evils if the present protection is removed.

Yours, etc.,
HOUSEHOLDER.

Hongkong, Feb. 8th, 1925.

Sir,—It is evident that the landlords class intend to do their utmost to get the Government to abolish the Rents Ordinance, and leave tenants absolutely unprotected.

Such a policy would be a great hardship to every class and nationality of wages earner, and it seems to me unthinkable that the authorities could entertain such a step for a moment.

You published a most interesting interview yesterday with the head of, I take it, the biggest European house-owning concern in the Colony. It is well known that the Humphreys Estate people are reasonable towards their tenants, and are not likely to want more than a fair return on their property even were their hands free, but it is important to remember that they do not represent more than a fraction of the landlords in Hongkong and Kowloon, and their tenants are nearly all people of the better-off class.

What Mr. Humphreys has failed to observe, apparently, is that there are hundreds of landlords who will not only want the 8 per cent. return he speaks of, but also another 8 per cent. as well—if they can get it.

To speak of there being houses and flats vacant is misleading. The reason why they are not

MORE ROBBERIES.

A LIVELY WEEK-END.

A batch of armed robberies has been engaging the attention of the police over the week-end.

Two men were arrested in investigations following the occurrence of an armed robbery in the Central district, on Saturday morning, the manager of an imports and exports firm returned from making a deposit of \$300 at the Taiwan bank to find strange men in possession of his shop at No. 40 Lower Lascar Row. The door was closed by a man who pointed a revolver at him, following which an orange was put into his mouth for a gag, and strings were used to bind his hands and feet. From a safe which they opened with a key taken from the manager, the robbers stole a sum of \$20 in notes and a quantity of small coins, but the haul was disappointingly short of expectations.

There is reason to believe that the gang had expected to obtain more from the safe. A few days before the commission of the robbery, a man had been at considerable pains to strike up an acquaintance with the cook of the place. From this latter he apparently had secured all the necessary information appertaining to the possibilities of the shop, and the robbers had arranged their plans accordingly. Unfortunately for the schemers, they timed their operation a few minutes too late, and the delay enabled the sum of \$300 to be securely banked before the safe was opened.

The same day a man was arrested at Tokwan in connection with the robbery and a confession extracted from him enabled the police to capture another member of the gang within a few hours of the first arrest. Both prisoners will be charged in due course before the Magistrate.

"NERVY" ROBBERS.

The upsetting of a chair spoiled the enterprise of two armed robbers who entered a tenement floor at No. 23, Lyndhurst Terrace. There were only two timid women in the place to tackle, but the robbers appeared to be a "nervy" lot. In their pushing one of the victims, a chair was thrown over, and apprehensive that the noise raised might alarm the people in the floor below, they instantly bolted. A toy pistol was later picked up by the police on their arrival.

KOWLOON INCIDENT.

Last night, at 7.45 o'clock, No. 6 Ashley Road, Kowloon, was visited by six men whose business was made apparent by the revolvers they held in their hands. Abdul Hamid Kahmin, who occupied the house along with others, had his hands tied, and from a room occupied by a Japanese the robbers stole a telescope, money, and other property to the value of \$137.

occupied is easily explained—they are not worth half the rent in most cases demanded for them. It is like telling a starving, destitute man that he will find plenty of food in a nearby restaurant, which he cannot pay for.

Then, what safeguards have tenants against the wily landlord who, once they have got the poor folks snugly installed, and "settled," can give them a "pay-up or quit" notice for double the rent?

Admitted that, as Mr. Humphreys says, the Ordinance has permitted certain abuses, such as the notorious sub-letting and key-money evils, then let us have a new Ordinance preventing these practices, enforcing fair rents (vide the Fair Rents Board suggestions of Press and public), but not leaving the sheep (and even the goats) to the mercy of possible wolves. Enough said.

Yours, etc.,

E. B. N.

Hongkong, Feb. 7, 1925.

NEEDED FOR RACES.

A DEFENDANT'S PLEA.

Eduardo Augusto da Silva, the defendant in a "drunk and incapable" case heard by Mr. N. L. Smith at the Central Police Court this morning, was at considerable pains to explain to the Bench that he was needed for the Races.

In a long statement, punctuated at regular intervals with the plea "I hope, sir, your Lordship, you will excuse me this time," the defendant pointed out that there was very little time between now and the Races, and as he was interested in these, it would be nothing short of a calamity to send him to prison in the interim. Asked how this could be, he explained that he was selling "books" for the Jockey Club and would be having an appointment there in connection with the Races on the 9th instant.

"Oh, are you a bookmaker?" his Worship asked.

Defendant again explained that he was selling "books for the Races."

It began to dawn on his Worship that what the defendant meant was that he was selling sweep tickets.

"Defendant—I sell books for the Races every year."

His Worship:—Is that all you do?

Defendant:—Not all. I go to the Gymkhanas too. I have been doing this for six years.

Defendant admitted that was all he did in the way of work.

Inspector Spear said defendant has been a great nuisance to the police. He had been given many chances and only three nights ago he was let off after being found hopelessly drunk and incapable in the street. On this occasion an Indian constable found him in the same condition in Queen's Road and it was then decided to arrest him. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$5, which defendant said he was unable to meet.

PRESIDENT BOAT'S S.O.S.

"HARRISON" SENDS CALL FOR AID.

London, Feb. 8.

A message from Chio (Greece) says an S.O.S. has been received from the American steamer *President Harrison*, which is voyaging from Shanghai to New York.—*Reuter.*

[The *President Harrison* left Hongkong on January 8th, on her round-the-world route under the Dollar Steamship Company, carrying a large number of passengers. No further news than that contained in the above telegram is yet to hand.—*Ed. H.K.T.*]

FRENCH SOCIALIST CONGRESS.

QUESTION OF POLICY.

Grenoble, Feb. 8.

The congress of the French Socialist Party opened here this morning, and is expected to last at least five days.

Considerable importance attaches to a big debate in which the main issue will be whether to renew the Socialist parliamentary party's mandate to support the Government, as the role played by the Socialist deputies since M. Herriot's accession to office has been subject to a certain amount of criticism; and the party is not altogether unanimous in the matter.—*Reuter.*

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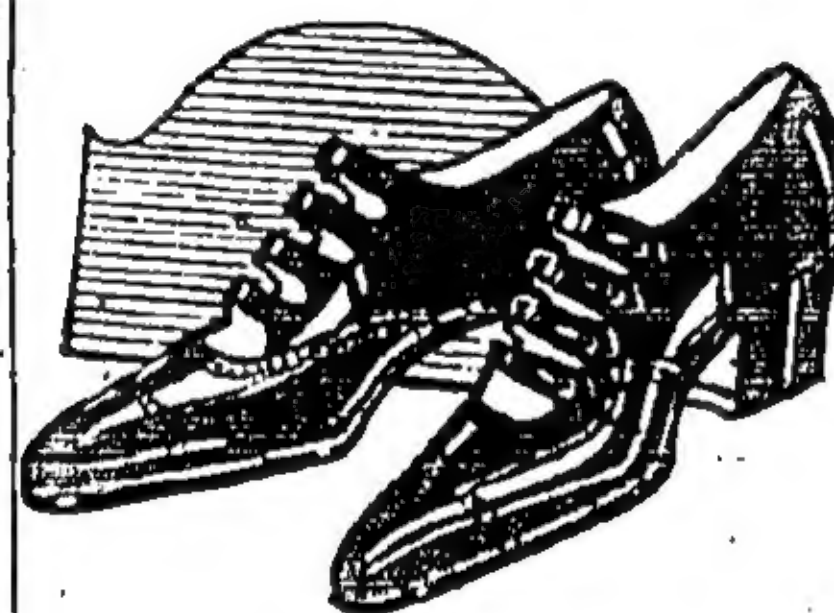
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HOME FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S LEAGUE RESULTS.

London, February 7.—Following are the results of matches played to-day in the English leagues and of the results of the second round in the Scottish Cup.

English League.—Division I.			
Birmingham	0	Leeds	0
Blackburn	1	Arsenal	0
Belton	3	Cardiff C.	0
Huddersfield	4	Aston Villa	1
Liverpool	3	Everton	1
Newcastle	4	Notts. For.	1
Notts. C.	4	Sunderland	1
Sheffield	0	Bury	1
Tottenham	2	Preston	0
W. Bromwich	1	Burnley	4
West Ham	4	Manchester C.	0

Division II.			
Blackpool	1	Barnsley	2
Bradford	1	Coventry	0
Chelsea	1	Southampton	0
Derby	3	Middlesbrough	1
Hull	0	Wolves	1
Leicester	0	Wednesday	1
Manchester	4	Clapton	2
Portsmouth	3	Fulham	0
South Shields	3	Port Vale	0
Stockport	1	Crystal Pal.	0
Stoke	0	Oldham	1

Division III (South).			
Hournemouth	0	Plymouth	1
Brentford	1	Norwich C.	1
Bristol R.	1	Southend	3
Exeter	4	Watford	0
Gillingham	1	Bristol C.	1
Luton	2	Swindon	2
Morbyr	2	Queen's Park	3
Millwall	2	Aberdere	1
Newport	0	Brighton	0
Reading	0	Charlton	0
Swansea	2	Northampton	1

Division III (North.)			
Ashington	0	Wallsall	1
Barrow	1	Lincoln	2
Darlington	3	Wrexham	1
Doncaster	1	Crews	1
Durham	1	Bradford	0
Grimsby	4	Accrington	0
Hartlepool	1	Chesterfield	0
Nelson	4	Tranmere	1
New Brighton	3	Halifax	1
Richdale	4	Rotherham	1
Wigan	2	Southport	0

Scottish Cup.			
Kilmarnock	2	Hearts	1
Abernethy	3	Clyde	0
Hamilton	4	East Stirling	0
Celtic	2	Alloa	1
Dykehead	3	Peebles	1
Montrose	0	Rangers	2
Airdrie	4	Queen's Park	0
Partick	5	Dundee	1
Dunfermline	2	Leck Gelly	1
Armadale	1	Aberdeen	0
Val of Leven	2	Solway Star	2
St. Mirren	1	Ayr	0
Motherwell	2	Arthurlie	0
Royal Albert	1	Broxburn	3
Falkirk	2	Dumbarton	0
Raith	0	Boness	0
Hibernians	5	Third Lanark	1
—Reuter.			

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.

M.C.C.'s FINE START.

Melbourne, February 7.—Rain delayed the start of the match between the M.C.C. and Victoria. The visitors scored 500, Hearne making 183, Whysall 89 and Bryan 50. Trueman took five wickets for 48 and accomplished the hat-trick, taking the last three wickets with successive balls. Victoria had scored 95 for the loss of one wicket when rain stopped play.—Reuter.

CRICKET.

S. AFRICAN TEST.

Johannesburg, February 7.—The weather was showery here to-day when Mr. Joel's team continued the match with South Africa, but 9,000 people were present. South Africa scored 193, of which Sussex made 55. The visitors had scored 77 for two wickets when play closed.—Reuter.

THE AVIATION TRAGEDY.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. R. EARNSHAW.

The funeral of the late Mr. Reginald Earnshaw, postponed from Friday, took place at Happy Valley on Saturday morning, a large number of deceased's one time colleagues from the Hongkong Police being present at the graveside. The body was accorded military honours and a firing party from the East Surrey Regiment was present. The body was borne from the Victoria mortuary on a gun carriage by a detachment of Water Police, the coffin being draped with the Union Jack. At the graveside three volleys were fired and a bugler sounded the Last Post after the commitment sentence had been pronounced.

The service was conducted by the Rev. G. E. Arrowsmith, of St. Andrew's, Kowloon.

Mr. J. Claude Earnshaw, the brother of deceased, was at the graveside, as chief mourner, and among others who attended were Mr. T. N. Mac Reynolds (representing the Ex-Active Service Men's Association), Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse (Deputy Superintendent of Police), Mr. William George Bunter, (of the Abbot School of Aviation), Inspector Reynolds and a detachment of Police, Revenue officers and many other friends. At the conclusion of the ceremony, members of the Hongkong Police present paid their last token of respect by themselves filling in the grave of their late comrade, and afterwards it was completely covered by the many floral tributes to a great height.

Among the many beautiful floral tributes placed on the grave were from Mother, brother Claude, Edith (Sister), Abbott School of Aviation, Sergeants' Mess, Central Police Station, Duro Motor Co. Ex-Active Service Men's Association, Kai Tuck Motor Bus Co. Ltd., Lady of the Water Police Station, Shum Shui Po Police Station, Sergeants' Mess No. 7 Police Station, Kowloon Cricket Club, Victoria Golf Staff, European Revenue Officers' Staff, branch prize, Lai Chi Kok, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ann, Mr. and Mrs. August, Mr. and Mrs. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. T. Bird, Mr. W. G. Bunter, Mr. C. C. Barnett, Cornig, Mr. A. G. J. Barnett, Mr. H. Cooper, Mr. H. Ching, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clemo, Mr. E. L. S. Davies, Esq., Mr. J. C. Fletcher, Mrs. J. C. Faera, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hollands, Mr. F. G. Herdridge, Mr. V. M. Hunt, Mr. J. R. Johnston, Mr. M. B. Keenham, Mr. H. Kong, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lawrence, Mr. C. H. Lyson, Mr. D. Lewis, "Les" Mrs. Macintosh, Mumford and Watkins, Mr. C. M. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Mason, Mr. B. L. de H. Moore, Mr. J. Nettleton, Mr. J. H. O'Brien, Mr. A. A. Paice, Mr. J. L. Parren, Mr. B. Potherman, Mr. and Mrs. D. Peoples, Mr. A. G. Pilo and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Russell, Mr. Mrs. J. P. and Miss Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Reynolds, Messrs. Rich and Harrison, Mr. E. A. Rodgers, Bill Routley, Frank Brett and Bill Simpson, Miss J. Simpson, Mr. D. O. de Silva, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Stainfield, Mr. C. C. Stark, Messrs. Y. Swanson and J. Allan, Mr. and Mrs. Tolan and family, Mr. Two Tun-on, Mr. Tso Chi-on, Mr. J. S. and Mr. J. Willes, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wittell, Mr. R. C. Wilson, Mr. L. H. Whant, Miss Gladys L. Woolley, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin and Mr. H. Yee Young.

BOXING.

New York, Feb. 8.—His suspension by the National Boxing Association and the State Athletic Commission completes the international ban on Johnny Dundee.—Reuter.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE RETURN TO GOLD STANDARD.

London, February 8.

In an article in the *Observer* favouring the return to the gold standard, Mr. Philip Snowden, the ex-Chancellor, says that it seems not improbable that the present margin of needed recovery to bring sterling to parity with the gold dollar will be covered without deliberate Government interference, but there will not be stability in the recovery without the fulfilment of three conditions, namely, the removal of the embargo on gold, the free minting of gold at a standard price, and the convertibility of the paper pound.

All the dangers and uncertainties of unstable currency will remain if sterling reaches par, unless it is permanently stabilised by being placed on a gold basis.

Mr. Snowden admits there are risks, but is of the opinion that they must be borne for the sake of the benefits which success will bring in the stabilisation of currencies. There is no need to wait for the rectification of the trade balance, he states, since stable currency is one of the essentials of a healthy state of trade. Mr. Snowden emphasises the importance of co-operation with the United States and believes that England's example will result in a general return to the gold standard.—Reuter.

STILL THE SINGAPORE BASE!

London, February 8.

Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery in a speech at Liverpool, referring to the Singapore Base, said, "At Singapore, we stand on the line that carries all the shipping of the Far East. Clearly it is a direct influence on the peaceful security of the Empire that we should be in a position to guard that shipping. If we do so, our action is not aimed at any other Power, least of all at an old and faithful ally, towards which, to-day, our goodwill and friendship are as strong as they ever were."—Reuter.

M. C. C. CRICKETER INJURED.

Melbourne, February 8.

J. W. H. T. Douglas, the well-known cricketer, touring with the M. C. C. team in Australia, experienced a narrow escape from death in a motoring accident last night. The motor car, in which Douglas was returning at midnight from a banquet given in honour of the M. C. C. team, collided with another vehicle. A man named Baker, a leading Melbourne sportsman, who was driving the car, was killed outright. The only injury sustained by Douglas was a bruised elbow, which is not serious.—Reuter.

THE MANDALAY RIOTS.

Rangoon, February 7.

In connection with the Mandalay riots in August, when two policemen and a priest were killed, and several, including a police superintendent, were wounded, eleven men, including two Buddhist monks, one of whom is a prominent leader of the Nationalist Boycott Council, were to-day sentenced to rigorous imprisonment, ranging from one year to nine years. Ottama headed the procession, and his refusal to alter the route occasioned the riots.—Reuter.

FAR EASTERN ATHLETICS.

RECORDS BROKEN IN MANILA.

Manila, February 8.—Far Eastern records were beaten in the following Olympic eliminations: Broad jump, Rivera, twenty-two feet, six inches; High jump, Razo, David and Divini Gracia, five feet ten inches; 110 metre hurdles, Niannor, sixteen seconds; 300 metre hurdles, Abiera, twenty five and four fifths seconds.—Reuter.

ROWING.

CREWS FOR MANILA CHOSEN.

The team to visit Manila to row for the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club against the Manila Boat Club has been selected and they will leave for the Philippines on February 28.

The crews are:—Four.—R. M. Jack (str.), C. Bishop (No. 3), B. Rasmussen (No. 2), C. B. Easterbrook (bow).

Pairs.—A. C. Groves and C. B. Robertson.

N. Lenfesty has been chosen as cox, while C. E. Henderson is reserve for the pairs and fours. Hongkong has been unable to send anyone for the single sculls.

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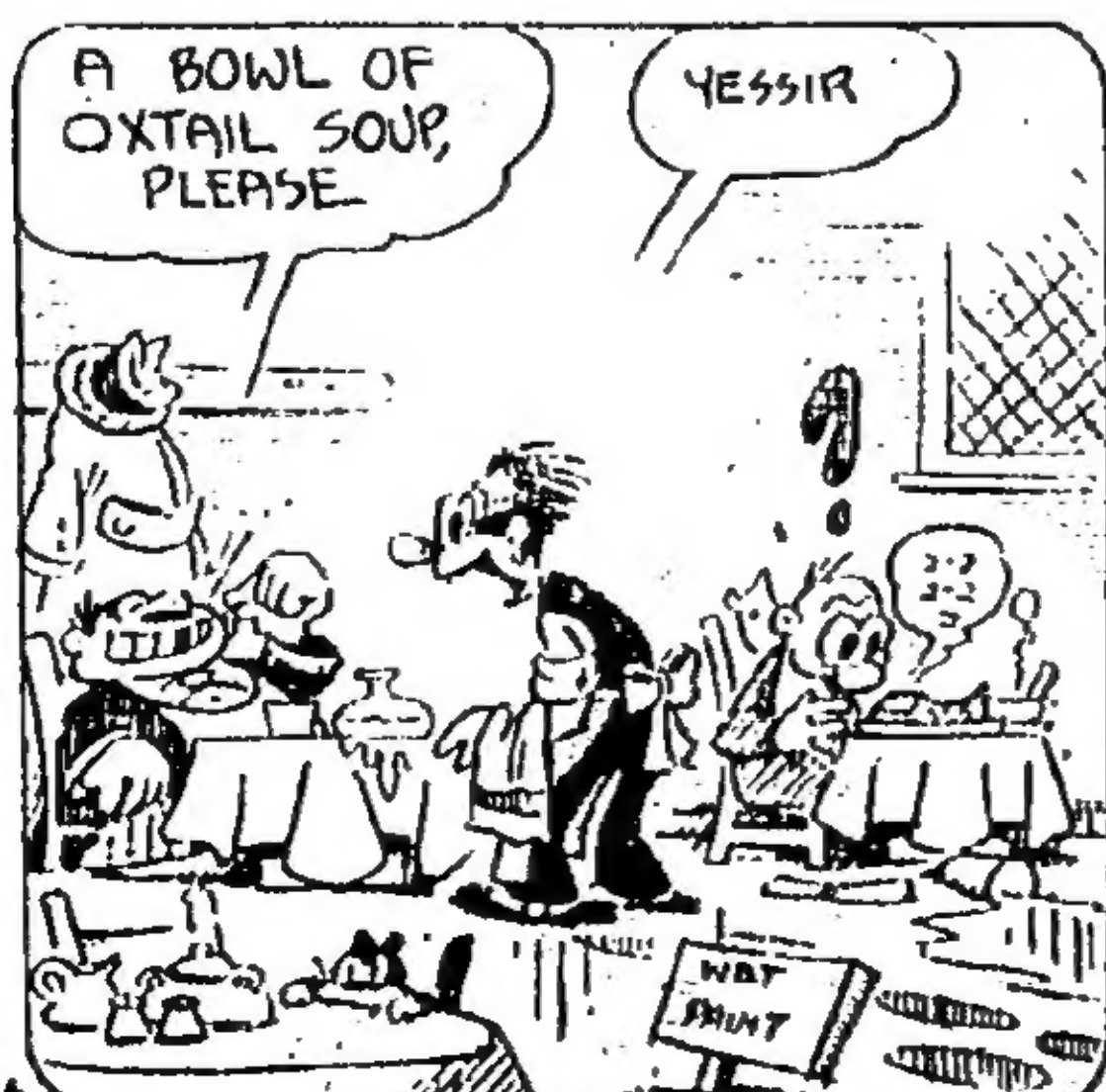
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.**CHINA WITHDRAWS FROM OPIUM CONFERENCE.**

Geneva, February 7.

The absence of the Chinese delegation at the opening of the plenary session of the second Opium Conference to-day was interpreted as meaning that the delegation had withdrawn from the Conference. However dramatic, the Chinese withdrawal from the Opium Conference caused no surprise. Doctor Sze was apparently embarrassed by Lord Robert Cecil's appeal to China yesterday, which is considered as one reason for China's withdrawal, inasmuch as it would have been difficult for Dr. Sze to respond thereto. The Conference in the morning noted the American memorandum and a letter of the President replying thereto, which paid a tribute to the active co-operation of the American delegation.

Outspoken criticism of the American attitude was, however, made by M. Loudon (Netherlands), who remarked that the Conference pre-supposed mutual concessions of goodwill, and added that Mr. Porter had not replied to any of the arguments the other side had advanced and further that the concessions to Americans would have harmed the League. M. Loudon declared that Mr. Porter had entirely ignored the Indian reservation and had never explained his own viewpoint. (Applause)

Lord Robert Cecil, regretting the American withdrawal before the announcement of the Conference's decision, alluded to the great assistance the Americans had given in the earlier proceedings. Lord Robert Cecil complained that the statement in the American memorandum implying that the Conference was called to give effect to the principles cited therein, required modification, and concluded by saying the nations would have been stronger with the continuance of American combination. "But without them we shall still continue confident that in the end right will triumph." (Applause)

The President of the Conference read a letter from the Chinese delegation announcing their withdrawal on the ground that as no undertaking had been given to suppress opium smoking in Far Eastern territories, the delegation considered no good purpose would be served by its further participation in the Conference.

London, February 8.

The *Sunday Times* expresses the opinion that the withdrawal of the American delegates from the Opium Conference was always a possibility, since the impracticable character of their proposals became known.

The newspaper considers that at the bottom of the American plan is the formidable increase in the use of drugs, especially opium, in the United States, since the adoption of prohibition.

The article also adds that the failure of the American delegates to allow for the difficulties of reconciling the divergent interests of the various countries on the opium question meant a temporary failure of the Conference, but not of the movement to check opium-smoking. The movement would still continue and the British Government, in the future, as in the past, would do its utmost to assist it.

While regretting the withdrawal of the Americans, *The Observer* says it cannot regret that other nations declined to enact prohibition, which could not have been enforced, but which would have merely stimulated illegal cultivation in Turkey, Persia and China.—*Reuter*.

After further speeches expressing regret at the withdrawal of the American delegates, the sitting was adjourned.

SUDDEN BREAK IN WHEAT PRICES.

New York, February 7.

The skyrocketing prices of the wheat market, which during the last few weeks seriously alarmed European householders, broke severely yesterday, closing twenty points lower than last week's high mark. The sudden break is attributed to the action of the executors of the estate of the yeast king, the late Mr. Julius Fleischmann, who reported that they had dumped all his tremendous wheat holdings back on the market. Many smaller speculators have been wiped out and others have lost heavily. Mr. Fleischmann dropped dead whilst playing polo on February 2.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Paris, February 7.

Following a debate on the high price of bread, the Chamber passed a Bill which enforces the producers of bread and cereals to declare the amount of corn they hold in stock. The Bill lays down that only manufacturers and traders will be subject to State control; provides for the imposition of fines for false declaration or refusal of declaration; establishes a tribunal to direct the disposal of cereals; authorises the Government to provision the country by purchasing home grown cereals at a fixed price and also purchase from the Colonies or abroad and to arrange distribution; and lastly authorises the establishment of a credit fund of one hundred million francs for providing a corn reserve.—*Reuter*.

The Bill facilitating the bread supply was introduced and adopted by 332 votes to 223.

Paris, February 7.

The Chamber passed a resolution by 328 votes to 225 expressing confidence in the Government and urging it to take measures to check the rise in the price of bread, requesting it to ask Parliament to pass a Bill providing for direct State purchase of home grown corn, the ultimate creation of corn reserves and the establishment of a corn office. M. Herriot intimated that the Government would immediately introduce a Bill dealing with the matter.—*Reuter*.

A SOVIET APPOINTMENT.

Moscow, February 8.

It is authoritatively stated that M. Unsicht, former Vice-President of the Cheka, and a member of the Revolutionary War Council succeeds M. Frunze as Vice-Commissar of War. Under the Tsarists, M. Unsicht was many times arrested and deported. He was President of the Petrograd revolutionary committee during the October revolution.—*Reuter*.

GERMAN POLITICS.

Berlin, February 7.

Herr Bauer has consented to resign from the Reichstag in response to a request from the Socialists in connection with the Barmat allegations, which he has not yet denied. Herr Stresemann, Foreign Minister, is also being assailed, the *Vorwarts* accusing him of complicity in certain banking operations. The newspapers are devoting columns to the discussion of the topic.—*Reuter*.

WAR DEBTS.

Paris, February 7.

The proposed Parliamentary Commission to consider ways and means of paying the French war debts to Britain and America has been dropped in deference to the wishes of M. Herriot, who points out that Parliamentary action might hinder diplomatic conversations thereon, which have already begun.—*Reuter*.

THE EVACUATION OF COLOGNE.

Paris, February 8.

Le Petit Journal understands that the French Premier, (M. Herriot) the Prime Minister of England, (Mr. Stanley Baldwin) and the Premier of Belgium, (M. George Theunis) will meet in London at the end of February or the commencement of March to settle the conditions of the evacuation of the Cologne area.—*Hayes*.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.**NEW SHANGHAI TUPAN.**

Peking, February 8.—Mandates issued convert the region hitherto under jurisdiction of Taoyin on the Szechuan-Tibetan border into a special administrative area to be known as Hsikuang, and appoint General Liu Hsiang Tapan of border defence at Hsikuang with command of all troops that district, while General Liu Cheng haun is appointed Commissioner of Wastelands of Hsikuang.

It is reported that the well-known Shanghaiite William S. T. Nien will be appointed chief of the copper note bureau in Shanghai.—*Reuter*.

SINGAPORE'S OPIUM.**THE GOVERNOR'S HINT.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, February 8.

The Straits Settlements Association held a dinner last night at the Singapore Club at which the Governor, Sir Laurence Guillemard, was present.

Replying to the toast to the Government of the Straits Settlements, Governor, referring to opium, said the protracted conferences at Geneva had brought the opium question into considerable prominence. Whatever the result of the conference labours, it was clear that one future difficulty was the revising of the Colony fiscal system in order to reduce and finally extinguish dependence on the revenue from profits of the opium monopoly.

PRINCE GEORGE.

DUE HERE ON THE MANTUA.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, February 7.

The *Malaya Tribune* authoritatively learns that Prince George is due in Singapore on February 27 on board the P. and O. steamer Mantua. The Prince joined the boat at Marseilles and is bound for Hongkong.

SINGAPORE BANKRUPTCY.**ECHO OF RECENT CASE.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, February 8.

Mr. Justice Harrold Lennard granted receiving and adjudicating orders against Pooey Keng-seng, former managing director of the Eastern Mining Company against whom judgment was given for half a lakh of dollars recently.



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THE OPIUM QUESTION.

We cannot say that we are at all surprised that the Geneva Conference has failed to result in a satisfactory agreement being reached in regard to the control of the opium traffic. So many interests were involved and so opposed one to another were the attitudes of various countries, that it would have been more than we could have expected had the matter been finally adjusted to the mutual satisfaction of everybody concerned. The withdrawal of the American delegation was the first definite confession of the failure of the Conference, and the seal was put on the disagreement when the Chinese representatives followed suit. Much as we appreciate and understand the ideals actuating the American delegation, we cannot but feel that it failed to take account of the practical aspect of the problem. The Powers, and Britain in particular, have shown a marked willingness to co-operate in any international movement aiming at suppression of the opium evil, but any action on their part towards that end would be absolutely futile were there no control of the sources of production. And no satisfactory scheme for the securing of such control has ever been before the Conference.

There is not the least shadow of doubt that failure has come about because the Chinese delegation could give no guarantees of the evil being sincerely tackled in their own country. Viscount Cecil, at the last sitting of the Conference, appealed to the Chinese and other delegations to assist in stopping over-production of opium, and seemingly this request caused embarrassment to the Chinese representatives, who later withdrew from the Conference. It is all very well for Dr. Sze to say that no undertaking has been given by foreign countries to suppress opium-smoking in their Far Eastern territories. Even if that were so, what would be the use of such an undertaking so long as China went on producing the drug in large quantities? In point of fact, however, Britain—to cite only one instance—made a most generous offer to assist in the matter, whilst the willingness shown to give every facility to any international commission which might care to visit these territories serves to demonstrate

foreign sincerity and also, to show that the Powers who have possessions in the East have nothing to hide. The outstanding point remains that this opium problem cannot be solved except with whole-hearted co-operation on the part of China, and until that is forthcoming, any foreign action in the matter will have very little beneficial effect.

Vacant Flats.

When the statement is made that there are thousands of empty flats on the Kowloon side, one is left to imagine that those are located in what has for so long been the residential district, but this, of course, is not so. The reference, apparently, applies to that newly-developed district west of the Po Hing Theatre, bordering both sides of Coronation Road right down to the junction of the yet uncompleted Princess Avenue, and even then the term of "thousands" is an obvious exaggeration. But the confession must be made that there are a large number of newly-built flats for which no occupants have yet been found. And an impartial judge of the matter will honestly confess that development in this district and the adjacent district of Sham-shuipo has somewhat outrun the demand for dwellings of high rentals. Building is still going on apace and at a cost which necessarily compels the landlord to ask for a high rent—a rent higher than that now being paid for protected property. When it is further remembered that so much of this new residential property is badly designed and constructed of materials inferior in quality to those used in older buildings, it is not at all hard to understand why so many of them remain empty. A visit to the districts named will convince anyone of the truth of the above statement. The time will assuredly come when all these new buildings will be occupied (they are in a growing district) but at the moment too many of them have been put up, and in many cases put up in such a way as to store up for the authorities of the future the problem of having to deal with jerry-built tenements. If people had the option of remaining in their present residences and paying a little more or going into some of these new ones at the same figure, the attractions are all in favour of the older buildings.

To-morrow night, at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, Miss Wish Wynne and her clever company will open a short season in the course of a tour of the Far East. Large audiences are expected.

Amongst the passengers who left by the P. and O. liner *Morea* were Mrs. Dickens and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. de Martin, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stewart, Mr. W. E. Douglas, Mr. V. M. Grayburn and Mr. W. Hedley.

A seizure of \$30,000 worth of morphine, amongst other cargo, was made on Friday by Revenue Officers in the Kowloon Godowns and as a result a man is in custody charged with being connected with dealing in this illicit drug, which is stated to have been brought here on a continental steamer.

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War Debts.

The Note sent by Britain to the French Government, on the question of the debts owing to us from European Allies, is one that strikes the reader at once as a clear enunciation of principle as well as a fine declaration of the sacrifice we are prepared to make in the adjustment of the whole matter of war claims. It is emphasised that, while there is no departure from the Balfour policy that the British claim to moneys lent our Allies shall be no more than sufficient to meet the obligations to America, yet these reimbursements from Europe must be tangible and actual before we can put that principle into effect. It were vain to depend on mere probabilities when the question of European stability and German reparations remains in a state of flux. But throughout the Note there runs a vein of friendliness and self-denial which should not fail to impress all observers. The British attitude has now been clearly defined in its relation to recent international adjustments; it is an attitude that cannot be revised owing to its very soundness, and one of which the nation can be justly proud.

NURMI STILL AT IT.

New York, Feb. 8.
Paavo Nurmi won a special two-mile race in 9 min. 8 secs, only two-fifths of a second below the world's record.—*Reuter's American Service.*

DEATH OF NOTED FINANCIER.

Boston, Feb. 8.
The death has occurred of the financier Mr. Thomas Lawson.—*Reuter's American Service.*

DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS NO DARKNESS BUT IGNORANCE.—*Shakespeare.*

Sir and Lady Skinner Turner returned to Shanghai by the P. and O. liner *Malwa*.

The Hongkong St. David's Society is holding a dinner at the Hongkong Hotel on the 28th instant.

It has been reported by the Master of the s.s. *Teon*, which has arrived in port from Bangkok and Swatow, that one deck passenger died from dysentery.

The health return for the past two days shows two further cases of typhoid, two of cerebro-spinal fever and one of diphtheria. All were Chinese.

The death has occurred in Switzerland of Mr. G. W. Barr, naval architect, of the Blue Funnel Line, who supervised the construction of Holt's Wharf at Kowloon.

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A quantity of jewellery, to the value of \$200, said to be the proceeds of an armed robbery committed at No. 7 Lee Yuen Street on the 29th August, last year, formed a charge of unlawful receiving brought against an unemployed Chinese before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Defendant was remanded.

RUGBY CUP MATCH.**NAVY'S NARROW VICTORY.**

Before a big crowd, the Navy on Saturday beat the Club in the match for the Rugby Cup by one try to nil. The tussle was productive of some fine individual play and an interesting game on the whole. The teams were as we published them last week:

The sailors pressed from the commencement, and it was evident that the sheer weight of their attack must prevail sooner or later. The Club defence had to keep continually on the move, with some success but they failed to stop Liout. Husey from getting away in a fine run which resulted in a try, that E.R.A. Woods failed to convert. This, however, proved to be the only instance of a player succeeding in crossing the line, for the rest of the half, and the second half as well, saw a ding-dong struggle in which neither side could break through to score.

The Club in the second half made several promising rushes, and the Navy retaliated by giving their opponents some anxious moments, but time arrived without any additional points. Result:—Navy 3 points, Club nil. Capt. S. H. Peary, D.S.O., made a capable referee.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.**SATURDAY'S GAMES.**

Saturday's matches resulted as under:—

DIVISION I.

Surveys ... 1 Kowloon ... 0

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Surveys R. ... 6 S. Heart ... 0

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SURREYS GET THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

[BY "WANDERER"]

The main asset of the Surveys team this season has admittedly been their clever forward line, but, for once in a while, it was the defence which they should thank for their victory over Kowloon on Saturday. They won by the narrowest of margins, one goal to nil, after a very scrappy game in which both sides missed golden opportunities.

Enton, the schomer, was sorely missed. Wooldridge, his substitute, found the task of making up for the deficiency too much for him, Charlesworth getting passes in every way except the right one, was only a shadow of his normal self, while Humbertstone put in many splendid shots but had fewer chances. The left wing was more often in the picture, Mackleworth and Butler leading the majority of the Surveys raids, and if the latter erred somewhat in being too individualistic, he got the one goal which made the Surveys the league champions.

The first half was goalless, but shortly after the interval, following a nice move by Mackleworth, Butler got possession and running between Wheeler and Duncan put in a wonderful shot from twenty yards which left Reed helpless. Kowloon struggled hard for an equaliser and Morris put the ball into the centre when the Surveys defence was more or less spreadeagled, but Douglas got the ball away.

The Surveys deserved their success if only because they played with finer polish. Douglas was safe, Cooper and Jordan, though both made occasional mistakes, were quick to recover, supported each other well and kicked cleanly, while the half-backs tackled well, pushed up the ball to the right man, and generally speaking, harassed the Kowloon forwards into faulty passing.

One would hardly pick out a weakness in the Kowloon side, but there is just that lack of teamwork which might make all the difference between victory and defeat. They don't strike one as a side who have talked over a plan of campaign prior to the match. Reed, playing in goal for the first time, gave a great display. Both wingers did extremely well, but Latham, McBride and Randle, capable enough in midfield, gave little indication that they knew how to shoot.

JUNIOR GAMES.

[BY "QUIZ"]

The leaders in the junior division had easy games on Saturday and maintained their respective positions at the head of the table.

The Surveys Reserves met the Sacred Heart on Navy "A" ground and won by the margin of six clear goals. The Sacred Heart gave flashes of brilliancy, but they were up against a better combination. Eight minutes from the kick off, Cornwall opened the score following a mis-kick by Adel. Twelve minutes later, following a free kick well placed by McGroavy, Ridger scored and before the interval Paskett sent in a shot, the ball striking the upright before entering the net. Interval score:—Surveys 3, Sacred Heart 0. The second half opened with the Sacred Heart attacking, but the Surveys soon assumed the upper hand and, during the pressure, Adel passed back to the goalie, who misjudged the ball and it rolled into the net. Ridger scored the fifth goal and before the final whistle sounded Robinson scored the sixth.

The Club de Recreo "A" easily defeated the Club Reserves on the Club ground, for although the score at the close was three goals only, the Recreo should have scored that number in the first ten minutes of the game.

Gosano was at fault on several occasions as he had several chances to score in the opening minutes but invariably sent in wide when nicely placed. Fuertes opened the score after twelve minutes' play and Gosano, receiving from a weak clearance by Garrod, scored the second goal. At the interval, the Club de

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.**LEAGUE MATCHES.**

In a first League match which was not remarkable for high scoring, the H.K.C.C. "A" team beat the "B" eleven, by 126 runs to 69, on Saturday. For the winners, G. R. Vallaok captured 5 wickets for 25, and F. N. Young 4 for 31. M. M. Maas was top scorer for the "A"s with 28. For the "B" side, H. J. Armstrong topped the batting, with 26, A.O.I. Bowker took 5 "A" wickets for 41 and R. Hancock 4 for 37.

After a good ninth wicket partnership between F. Goodwin (who carried his bat for 49) and H. Overy (26), the K. C. C. reached a total of 107 against the Navy, but the latter managed to win comfortably with 132 for 8 (Lt. Com. Jotham 33, Col. Cantrell 35, not out). For the winners, Cantrell took 5 wickets for 41. Pay. Lt. Com. Hargreaves 3 for 22, and Lient Boyle 2 for 9. For the K. C. C., Overy took 5 for 44.

The I. R. C. were rather lucky to draw against the Civil Service. The latter declared at 207 for 4 (G. R. Sayer 94 not out, F. Baker 43), but the Indians managed to keep their end up, being 89 for 7 when stumps were drawn, B. D. Evans having taken 5 for 30.

The R. A. beat the East Surveys without any difficulty. The infantrymen scored 73, Sgt. Gifford capturing 3 wickets for 9 runs, and the artillerymen compiled 136 for 6 in reply (Lieut. Smith 33, Lieut. Henslowe 35).

SECOND DIVISION.

The I.R.C. beat the Navy in the second League by four wickets. The naval eleven compiled 155 (A. B. Pearce 66), S. A. R. Jamail taking 6 for 34, and the Indians, with a well-balanced team, knocked up 178 for 6 (N. B. Kitchell and A. R. Minu 47 apiece).

FRIENDLIES.

In a friendly match between the C.R.C. and the University, at Causeway Bay, Sir Claud Severn performed the "hat trick" for the visitors. The Chinese compiled 139 (W. Hung 55, Ng Sze Kwong 43). The University replied with 146. Sir Claud took altogether 6 wickets, for 44 runs. For the C.R.C., H. Ching captured 6 wickets for 60.

The K.C.C. second eleven, beat Craigower by 85 runs to 80, in a low-scoring match at Happy Valley. For the visitors, B. Potheram took 7 wickets for 18 runs.

SIR HARRY LAUDER.**SEASON OPENS ON WEDNESDAY.**

It is particularly to be noted that Sir Harry Lauder's season here opens on Wednesday, and not on Tuesday, as previously arranged. The Tuesday performance has been cancelled, and those holding tickets for same can have their money refunded on application to Messrs. Moutrie and Co.

Recreio were leading by two goals to nil. In the second half, the Club got down several times, but their forwards were weak and Silva had an easy time in goal for the Recreio. Remedios scored the third goal for the Recreio.

At Kowloon, a fine game was seen between Kowloon Reserves and Club de Recreio "B", ending in a draw of three goals all. The Recreio were the first to attack and before the Kowloon defence could settle down, Pereira had put them one up. Kowloon then attacked, but found the defence very sound. About halfway through the first half they levelled up through Fitzgould. Each side then went out for the lead, and, following a scramble in the Kowloon goalmouth, Riberio netted. Kowloon soon made the game all square, Millard converting from a pass by Haat. The second half opened briskly, each side striving to take the lead. Trambitzky scored for Kowloon and just on time, Remedios ran through and easily beat Stewart with his shot, making the score three goals all. There was no further scoring and the game ended as above.

Failing to convert from a penalty kick, South China had to be content with the division of points with the University in their match played on the South China ground. The game ended in a goalless draw. A player from each side was ordered off for fighting on the field during the game.

In the United Services Competition semi-final between the Despatch and Submarines second teams, the game ended in a goalless draw.

CANTON WAR.

CONFLICTING NEWS.

News regarding the Canton situation is most conflicting, both sides still claiming successes. Official circles in Canton state that, following the capture of Sheklung, the Government troops have pursued the enemy and taken eleven minor towns, including Tungchow city.

THE WUCHOW FRONT.

Wuchow, Feb. 6.

While General Li Chung-wan and General Wong Shui-hung's are being hard pressed on the only five miles up the Foo River from Wuchow, they are by no means letting the grass grow under their feet. General Wong has recently despatched Commander Bau Lim-pak to Lou Chow, where he has delivered a very severe counter-attack. This movement has been successful in that General Luk Wing-ting's and General Chum's forces, together with their confederates, namely a part of the armies from Yunnan, have been greatly delayed in their advances upon Wuchow.

So far the status quo has been maintained, but it is surmised that because General Wong's forces are numerically inferior they may eventually have to retire.

The hospitals at Wuchow and Lou Chow are filled with wounded men, and it is said that there is a shortage of bandages and medicinal supplies.

It is believed that the Generals Li and Wong still have a fighting chance to win, or at least to retain their present positions.

It is reported that several British, American, and Portuguese vessels have recently been commandeered in the West River for transporting troops.

SHIPPING NEWS.

LOCAL WATERFRONT ITEMS.

The coaster Produce, Captain E. Winnes, arrived yesterday from Keelung, Formosa, with a cargo of coal, and leaves tomorrow morning for Kongmoon. She had a very rough trip from here to Keelung but had nice weather with moderate monsoon coming back.

Another coaster, the Imataca, Captain O. Johnson, left the Kowloon dry dock on Saturday.

The freighter Elida Clausen, Captain H. Sandvig, is now having her four years' reclassification, surveys and general overhauling at the Tak-ko Dockyard.

Only two large Japanese steamers were discharging cargo at the Kowloon wharves yesterday.

Rarely have we seen so many well known residents of Hongkong leave this port at one time as went away with the P. and O. liner Morea on Saturday. Many friends had gathered in launches and on the Kowloon wharf from which the steamer left, and gave them a most hearty send-off.

The coaster Drufar, Captain Haugsted, arrived from Bangkok this morning, and had a very rough trip, with strong monsoon.

Two coasters left yesterday half loaded with coals for Kongmoon, namely, the Italian steamer Piave and the Polstrand, Captain J. Klausen.

Yesterday the Hugo Stinnes liner, Emil Kirdorf, Captain W. Zobel, arrived from Shanghai and had moderate monsoon all the way down here. She is already booked full with cargo and passengers, most of them for Europe, and sails to-day for Manila.

Another well known coaster which for many years has sailed out of Hongkong will now, at least for the time being, disappear from this port, namely the Chidar, Captain J. Mathiasen. She was sold to a Chinese firm at Shanghai by her owners, Wiol and Amundson of Norway, the local shipping firm Thorson and Co., acting as agents. She is to be delivered to her new owners some time this week.

The Hongkong-Wuchow motor passenger vessel Fook. On, Captain R. Campbell, went to Sam Shui Po yesterday in order to have a part of her machinery attended to.

The following three river steamers are at least temporarily laid up at Sam Shui Po:—Anjou, Fook Sing and Wo Ping.

The Kwong Ying is still undergoing repairs, but is expected to be ready in about another week.

"BELGENLAND" PASSENGER.

RACES TO SAVE \$30,000 BAIL.

A race between Honolulu and New York, being made by Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Butler of Elizabeth, N. J., in an effort to save a \$15,000 (gold) bail bond from forfeiture is being watched with interest here, as San Francisco is the principal relay point on the journey, says a San Francisco Associated Press message of Jan. 2nd, which continues:—

Mr. Butler, president of the Broidt Browning Company of Elizabeth, is out under bond on a charge of violating the Federal prohibition law. He must be in New York on January 12 to save the bond.

He recently engaged passage on the round the world liner Belgeland in New York, in the belief that he had plenty of time to make the trip, it is said. When the Belgeland reached Honolulu, Mr. Butler was informed in a cable from his attorney that he must be in New York on January 12. He tried to book passage to the mainland on the steamship Storra. He failed to obtain accommodations, so he took the Wilhelmina for San Francisco. The Wilhelmina is due here January 7, giving the Butlers just five days to reach New York. It can be made, barring mishaps. If, however, the ship is late, as Pacific liners occasionally are, the arrival here may be too late to enable the Butlers to reach New York in time.

SHIP FINED.

A Honolulu message says:—The Red Star Line has been fined \$400 for transporting Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Butler of New York between two American ports.

Mr. Butler deserted the Belgeland of the Red Star Line here when informed by cable that he must be in New York on January 12 to save \$15,000 bail.

Federal officials announced that the Red Star Line, operators of the Belgeland, which flies the British flag, seemingly had violated the American coastwise laws by transporting the Butlers from New York to Honolulu.

Steamship officials announced that steps were being made to have the fine revoked on the showing of the circumstances involved.

UP THE SPOUT.

SUSPICIOUS CHARACTER SENTENCED.

Charges of possession of a pair of stockings, without being able to give a satisfactory explanation, and of being found climbing the waterpipe of No. 9, Pakhoi Street at 3 a.m. on Saturday, were preferred against a coolie, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Aroused from his sleep, a foki of the second floor of the house observed the defendant on the pipe at the rear of the premises. Calling to a man on the first floor to proceed to the bottom of the pipe and intercept the defendant, the foki himself ran downstairs and went to the back lane in time to see the defendant scale the wall. He then went up to him and seized him. The man, who went into yard at the rear of the ground floor, waited for the defendant's descent, but unfortunately something fell on his head and the defendant, on reaching the ground, was not troubled by the man.

The defendant, who had two previous convictions, was sentenced to four months' hard labour on both charges.

NOTED QUARTETTE.

FURTHER SUCCESSES.

The largest audience of their season assembled at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night for the fifth recital by the World Renowned Quartette. All of the artists were in great form, encore after encore being demanded and generously given. The concert was indeed a memorable one and it is safe to say that never before has such enthusiasm been shown by a Hongkong audience. Molsaagaingave convincing proof of his complete mastery of the violin, enrapturing his hearers with wonderful technique and superb intonation. Herbert Cave gave of his best in splendid voice, while Miss Dorothy Dawson Campbell and Percival Garrett thoroughly maintained the high reputation they so highly deserve.

Last night the Quartette appeared before a large audience at the Star Theatre, when Kowloon

TRESPASS CLAIM.

ACTION WHICH FAILED.

In the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Ming Chum, of 11, Wu Nam Road, Aberdeen, claimed \$100 damages for trespass against Wing Shing, of the same address. Mr. C.A.S. Russ was for the plaintiff and Mr. M.M. Watson defended.

Mr. Russ said that the action was really to vindicate the plaintiff's right to the principal tenancy of the premises. He took them over in May, 1921, at a rental of \$24 per month and defendant did not come on the scene until March 1st, 1923, when he rented a part of the shop for \$18 monthly. In the eighth month of 1923, plaintiff was taken ill and had to go into the country, and he asked the defendant to pay the rent in the meantime. He left a foki in charge of his business. Defendant took advantage of the arrangement and attempted to get the tenancy transferred.

Evidence was given by both sides, after which plaintiff was re-called, and, in reply to his Lordship, admitted that he had never occupied any part of the front. He was in partnership with defendant in the Wing Shing firm, but was bought out in the eighth month 1923.

His Lordship pointed out that plaintiff could not hope to succeed on a claim for trespass, and gave judgment for the defendant with costs.

BAD YOUTH.

JAILED FOR THEFT.

A Chinese youth was charged before Mr. N. L. Smith, at the Police Court this morning, with the theft of two sets of mah-jongg belonging to Chinese owners, and a silver watch, the property of a sergeant of Indian guards. From the statement made by Inspector Spear, it appears that the defendant was arrested, in the first place, for brawling in the street, and in a search made in the charge room no less than 40 pawn-tickets were found in his possession. By means of those, the theft of the articles mentioned in the charge was traced.

Defendant had been before the Court on many occasions, but hitherto had only been cautioned. On his last appearance, he was bound over in a sum of \$50 after conviction of theft by bailies. His practice was to collect the licence fees from confiding hawkers, failing to turn them over to the police. On these occasions he was dressed in the costume of a Boy Scout. Practically disowned by his mother, who found his case hopeless, the defendant had slept where he could.

His Worship decided to send the defendant to prison and a sentence of six weeks' hard labour was inflicted.

POLO.

SATURDAY'S MATCH.

There was some very interesting play at Causeway Bay on Saturday, when the holders of the Lady Stubbs Challenge Cup were seen in a five-chukka polo match against a team captained by Mr. B. D. F. Both.

After fairly even play, the Cup holders led by 3 goals to 2 at the end of the third chukka, and got three more in the fourth, the others scoring one, but the final saw the "challengers" get level, and the match ended in a draw of 6 goals aside.

For four chukkas, two for each side, Major Rotherham took a turn, in place of another player. One of the features of the match was this newcomer's display. He was eight years in succession an Irish International polo player. Mr. Heard, who has come down from Shanghai to ride in the Races, was also in good form.

The teams were as follows:—Cup holders—Mr. Sugden, 1; Mr. Stanton, 2; Capt. Oxapring, 3; Capt. Novillo, back.

Mr. Both's team—Mr. St. Lawrence, 1; Mr. Pollock, 2; Mr. Both, 3; Mr. Heard, back.

Residents gave them a rousing reception.

A special farewell recital has been arranged for to-night in the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel. Tickets are \$2 each and may be obtained at the Hotel. It is expected that a large audience will be present to enjoy the privilege of listening to such a rare feast of first-class music.

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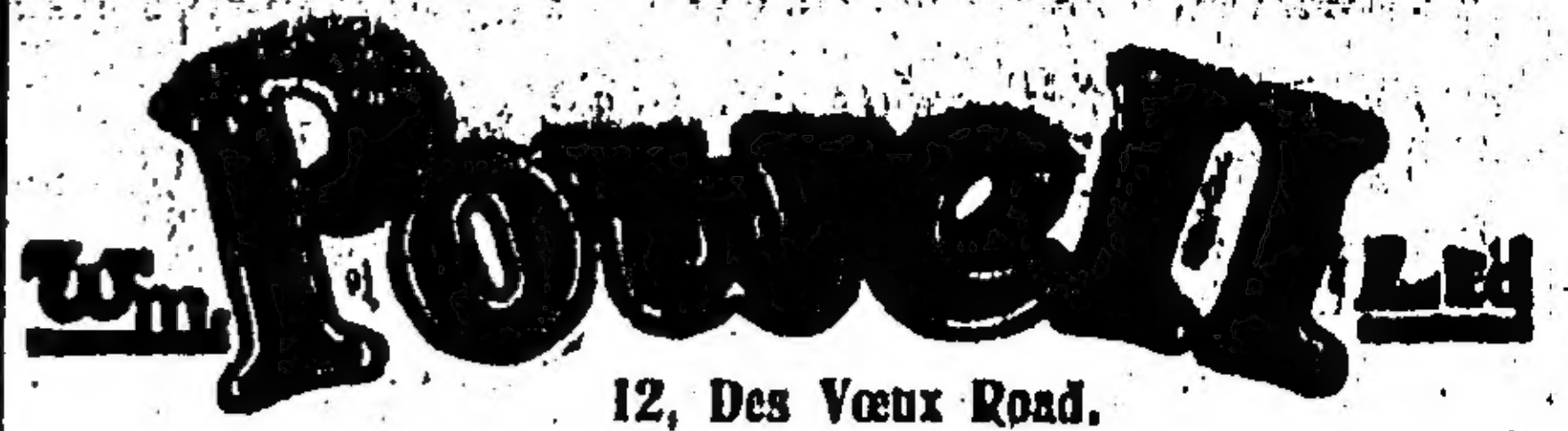
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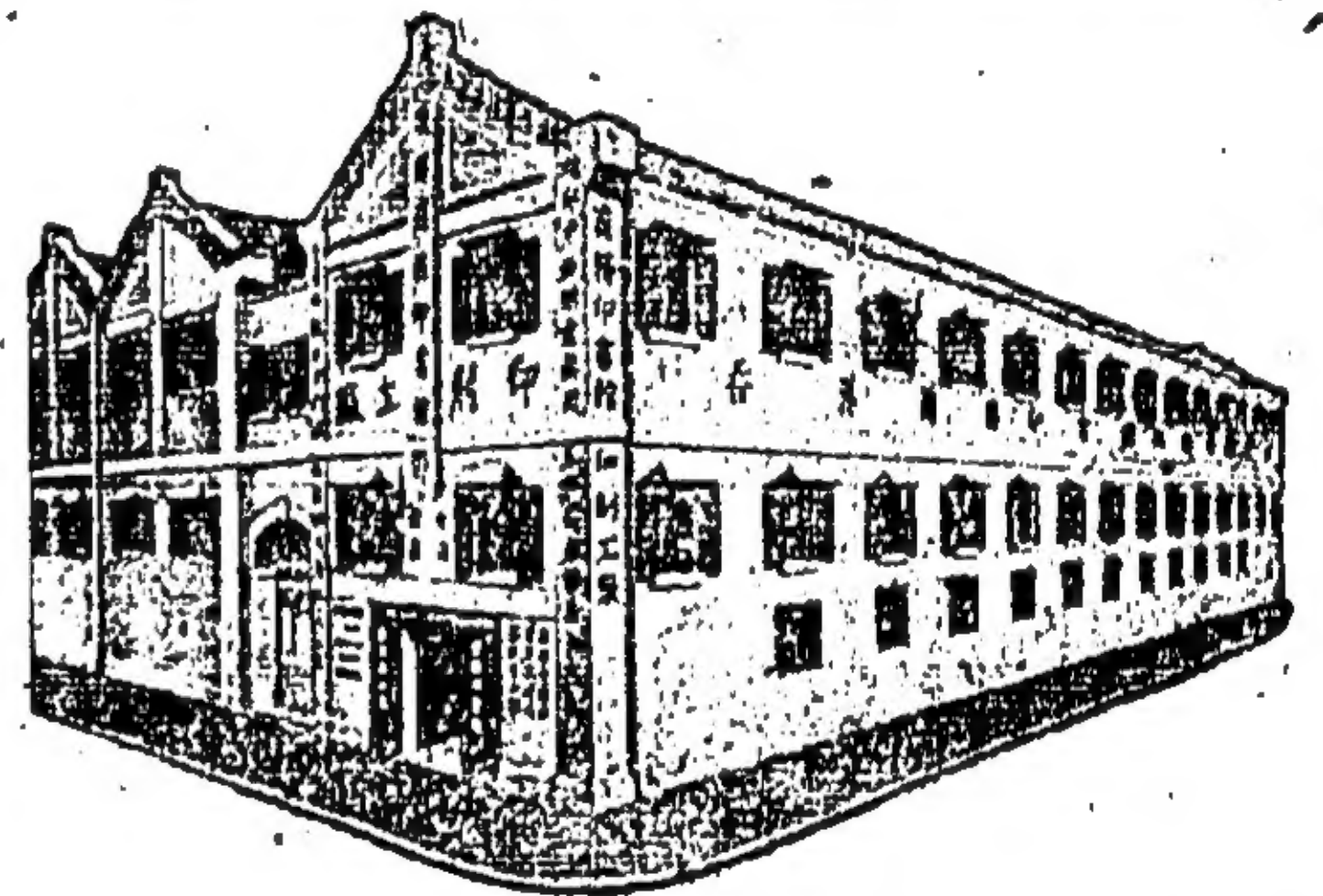
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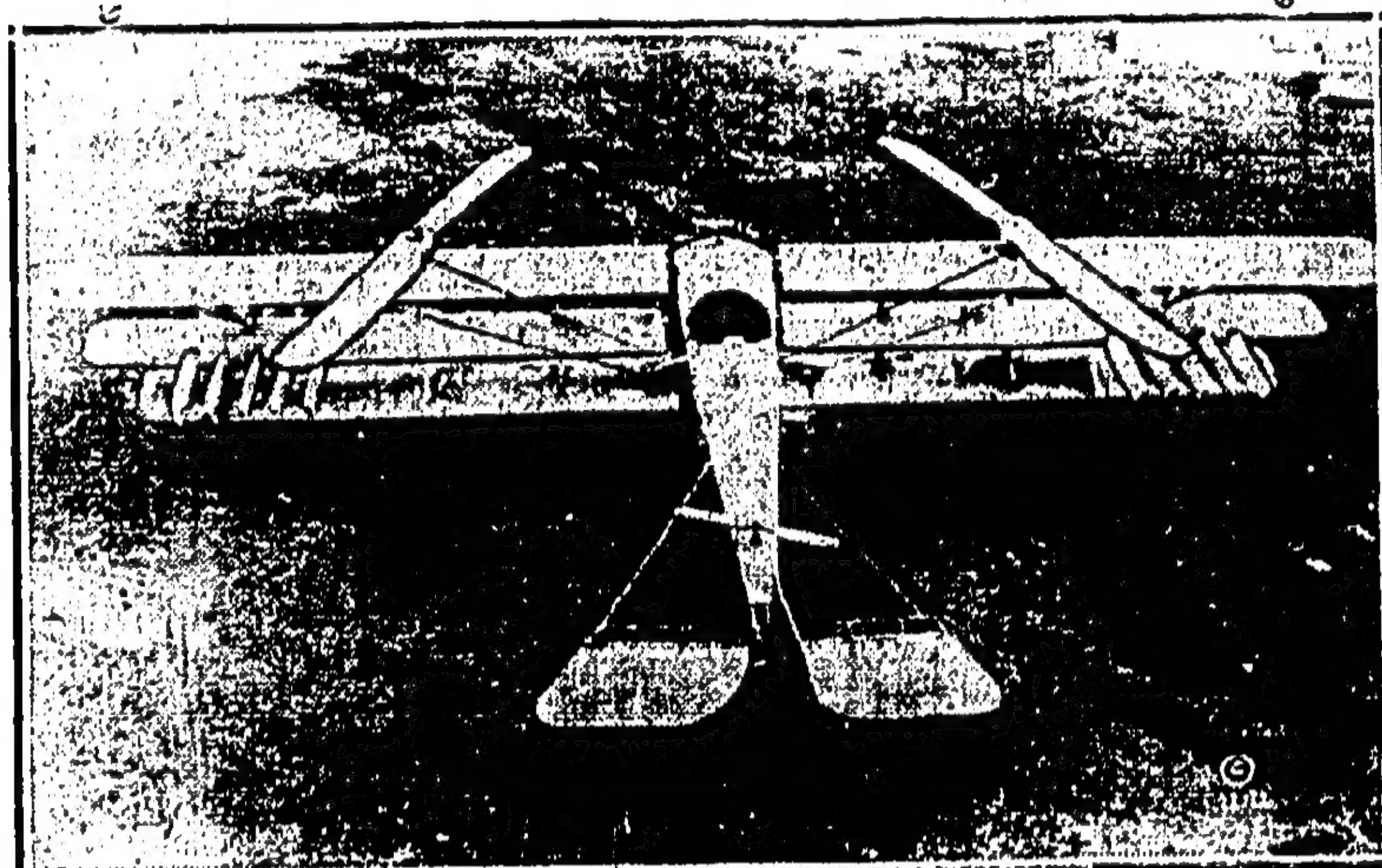
CAMERA NEWS



MARRIED AGAIN.—John Drinkwater (in inset), the English playwright who wrote the drama "Abraham Lincoln," has a new wife. She is Daisy Kennedy (above), the violinist. It is Mr. Drinkwater's second marriage.



LEAGUE OF NATIONS.—This is the Council of the League of Nations in session at the Palazzo Doria in Rome. It is the tribunal's thirty-second meeting since its formation.



NEW HELICOPTER.—The new Berliner helicopter, see above, will be entered in the helicopter tests at Farnborough soon. Oemicher, French helicopter expert, also is entering a machine in the event. The planes will vie for \$250,000 in prize money.



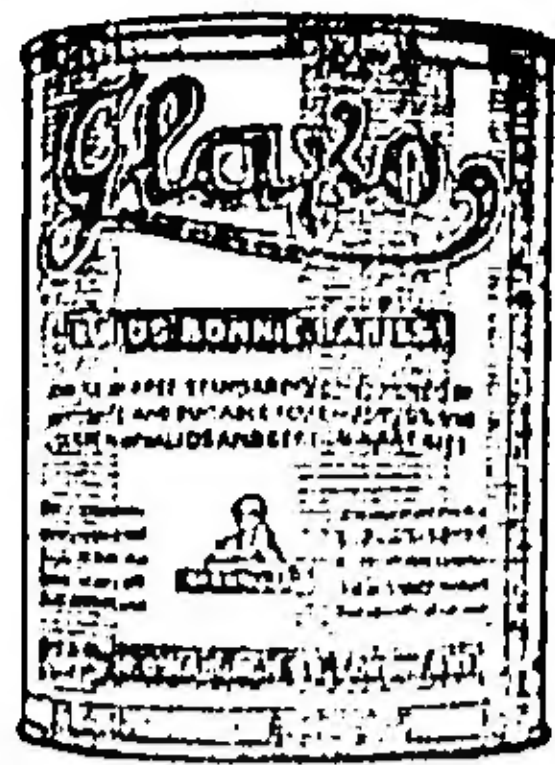
SPECTATORS SEARCHED.—Here spectators at the recent trial of a young Japanese for an attempt on the life of the Prince Regent are shown being searched by Police officers.



WEATHER CONTROL.—Captain A. I. Eagle at Bolling Field takes an airship load of sand with which to bombard the clouds and control the weather. The plan, originated by Dr. E. F. Warren, was demonstrated successfully.



A NEW PORTRAIT.—This portrait of Mei Lan-fang, the noted Chinese actor, is produced from the original which is the work of Miss Amy Drucker, who has been giving an exhibition of her work at the E. W. A. Headquarters at Shanghai. This great actor sat for Miss Drucker on more than one occasion and was delighted with the pictures.

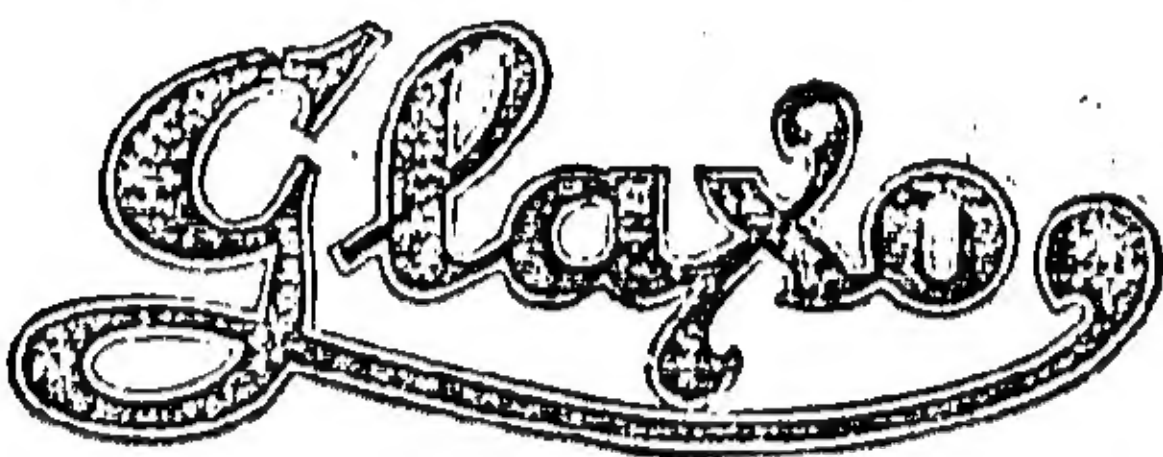


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ANIMALS AND BIRDS OF MANCHURIA.

THE OFFICIAL HISTORY OF "ANZA."

Those who are so fortunate as to have read Mr. A. de C. Sowerby's book "The Naturalist in Manchuria," which was published in 1923, and formed the first volume of a work on Manchurian natural history, will have been looking forward to the continuation of the series. They will be glad to know of the appearance of volumes two and three, bound together and dealing with the animals and birds of that hitherto little explored region, so far as its zoology is concerned. Mr. Sowerby's previous book dealt with his expedition to the land of the Manchus chiefly in the form of a travel story, with very interesting chapters on the ethnological and geographical, as well as scientific, aspects of the territory he covered. In Vols. 2 and 3, which is issued by the same publishers (Tientsin Press, Ltd., Tientsin), he gives an authoritative study of Manchurian mammals and birds, thoroughly up-to-date, all the latest discoveries being incorporated, and undoubtedly it forms the standard work on the natural history of the region. As such it will be in request by those even who have not in their possession the initial volume of the work.

In his introduction the learned author points out that hitherto there has been very little published in connection with the Manchurian country, and hardly anything about its natural history. Such books as have appeared have mostly been by travellers and scientists other than British, the main work being that of Kussakine, and their researches did not cover large areas which the present work deals with. Thus Mr. Sowerby has practically traversed territory which might almost be classed as unexplored zoologically. The result is the bringing together of a wealth of facts that are of the greatest value to anyone who would obtain a proper idea of the natural history of China, and particularly of the North. In the course of his observations the author has been able to elucidate many matters which had hitherto remained somewhat obscure, such as the range of particular animals and birds, and there are also some very interesting data on the subject of migration. The whole work is so arranged that it forms a book which will interest the ordinary reader as much as the scientist, and the many reproductions from photographs of both mammals and avifauna, the illustrative map, and the comprehensive index, go towards making it a reference work that must hold an unchallenged position for many years to come.

The volume may be obtained from the principal booksellers in China.

FACTS ABOUT "ANZA."

The story about the glorious attempt to take possession of the Gallipoli peninsula, in which the Australian and New Zealand troops played such a magnificent part, has been told often enough, and the tales have not perhaps lost anything by the inevitable variations which unofficial records are subject to, but the true facts make as vivid reading as one could wish, with the additional advantage of being absolutely reliable and thoroughly comprehensive. These official records are collected and arranged chronologically in the latest volume of the "Official History of Australia in the War," produced under Government auspices, and published at a price of one guinea by Messrs. Angus and Robertson, Ltd., of 89, Castlereagh Street, Sydney. It is entitled "The Story of Anzac," and is edited by Mr. C. E. W. Bean from the official war diaries and other records of the A.I.F. contained in the Australian War Memorial, from the notes and diaries of the editor himself, and from numerous answers of officers and men of the A.I.F. and others to enquiries made of them while the work was in progress.

It does not require to refer here to the origin of the name Anzac or to the associations it will always hold in the mind of Britons, for its fame is world-wide. For those who would possess the authentic history of an enterprise which forms a veritable Imperial epic, and for those who took part in the great exploit, or whose nearest and dearest may be paid the life

sacrifice therein, this book will be a valued acquisition. With 524 illustrations from photographs, a large number of maps, and numerous footnotes and short biographies, and the whole written in pleasing narrative style, it is not the least notable of all the war histories that have appeared since the Armistice. The last days are dealt with in detail, showing how tense were those weeks of preparation for the great drama of evacuation, how immense was the disappointment of some and how fatalistic the attitude of others, and how complete the success of the general plan, so that the enemy launched an attack against abandoned trenches hours after they had been deserted. Praise and blame is impartially given, and honour where honour is due, and here and there we find tribute paid to a gallant and upright foe.

One cannot do better in conclusion than quote from this record of the brotherhood in arms of Homeland Briton, Australian, New Zealander, Maori and Indian:—"The failure of the Dardanelles Expedition made it evident that the war must be longer and more difficult than had been generally imagined; but the difficulty of the common task, as always, to draw closer to each other the several branches of the British people. The influence of the Gallipoli campaign upon the national life of Australia and New Zealand had been far too deep to fade. In no unreal sense it was on the 25th of April, 1915, that the consciousness of Australian nationhood was born."

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OUTLOOK IN SPAIN.

What Will Succeed the Directory.

In spite of gloomy forebodings, chiefly influenced by malarious reports which, during November and December, have appeared in the French Press, there is reason to welcome with a certain amount of optimism the entry of the year 1925, says the Barcelona correspondent of the *Observer*.

No immediate change in the form of Government is in sight, for no party or group exists which enjoys the confidence of the country sufficiently to enable it to take over from the Directory the task of governing the country. Any divisions which in 1924 were apparent in the councils of the military party no longer exist, and the army is thoroughly behind the Directory in its decision to deal with the Morocco problem in such a way as to bring expenditure well within the spending power of the country in men and money. The decision to repatriate 45,000 men from Morocco has created a favourable impression, and will undoubtedly endow the Directory with a fresh lease of popularity.

Another ground for optimism is suggested by the ease with which, during December, financial issues amounting to over 400 millions have been covered, chiefly by the banks, and the fact that most of this capital is to be spent on public works of a productive character should render any lack of employment improbable during the New Year.

POLITICIANS DISCREDITED.

In looking about for a probable successor to the Military Directory, it must be borne in mind that the country will have nothing to do with the politicians of the old regime: they are hopelessly discredited. The same applies to the military group captained by General Aguilera, to whom certain designs were attributed during the spring of 1924. Spain's previous unhappy experience of Republican Government will cause her to reflect long and deeply before handing over to its present exponents the reins of power. The solution will probably be found in a civilian government presided over by General Primo de Rivera, assisted by elements drawn from the new "Union Patriótica," formed under the aegis of the Directory.

In domestic affairs 1925 will witness the inauguration of important measures. The housing problem—almost as acute as it is in England—will be dealt with by authorising municipalities to make loans to responsible bodies and companies, with Government guarantee of interest, to enable the necessary dwellings to be erected. Railway communications will be improved, and sleeping cars provided on all long distance mail trains. A number of railway electrifications will be put in hand, and roads are to be improved.

Respecting aviation, the new aerodromes at Tablada, near Seville, will be preceded with, and one of the first tasks of

AMERICAN GIRLS AT OXFORD.

Bulls of Many Witticisms.

Thirty-two American girls have this year taken the short gown and at ractive mortar-board cap, without the board, that make up the uniform of an Oxford woman student, says an exchange.

Only eight are in women's colleges, the rest being members of a curious organization called the Society of Oxford Home Students, which is not a college, although remarkably like one, and not a society of home students. Most of the girls live in the cold and uncomfortable lodgings for which Oxford is famous.

The lot of the woman student of "undergraduate" in Oxford is not a very happy one. The four women's colleges are all very poor, badly situated and scantily furnished. The Society of Oxford Home Students, poorer still, cannot even afford a college.

The grand old men of the university, the dons, fellows and heads of colleges who lived through the suffragette days when enthusiastic women poured acid on college lawns and corn syrup into college letter boxes, still look upon women students with mistrust and suspicion.

While there is not among Oxford undergraduates that feeling of resentment against women students which leads Cambridge men to smash the gates of women's colleges and to stamp and groan when a woman enters a lecture room, yet their regard for the newcomers is far from kindly.

At best it may be defined as an uneasy consciousness of unconscious superiority. In the university journals women students are fair targets for much crude humour and harsh criticism, and the average undergrad would no doubt, prefer to see them go.

MANY RESTRICTIONS.

The company of the undergraduate is not greatly desired by the male, and her life is hedged about with the most exacting and harassing restrictions.

American girl students are much more popular than their English sisters, partly because they dress more stylishly, and partly because the Oxford man shares with the rest of Europe the pleasing notion that all Americans are millionaires.

Any Oxford don or professor who sees it may exclude women from his lectures, where they are not excluded they attend with such zeal that men students complain bitterly that they take all the best seats.

Women are admitted only to part of the university libraries. This is no great hardship, for Oxford libraries are notorious for bad cataloguing and lack of heat. It is no uncommon sight in the great Bodleian library of All Souls College to see a student dressed in overcoat, muffler and fur mittens consulting a great book of black letter.

Acquiescence and opposition on the part of the men of the university have driven the women to rely more and more upon themselves, and they are slowly developing a social, academic and athletic world of their own, like that of Sumner or Wellesley. Meanwhile, the life offered to an American girl student is not an attractive life.

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the new French Ambassador, Monsieur Peretti della Rocca, will be that of discussing an agreement for the establishment of an airship line between Europe and South America. The visit of the Prince of Wales to South America has excited great interest in Spain, and it would not be surprising, should circumstances permit, if the projected visit of King Alfonso to the Argentine were revived.

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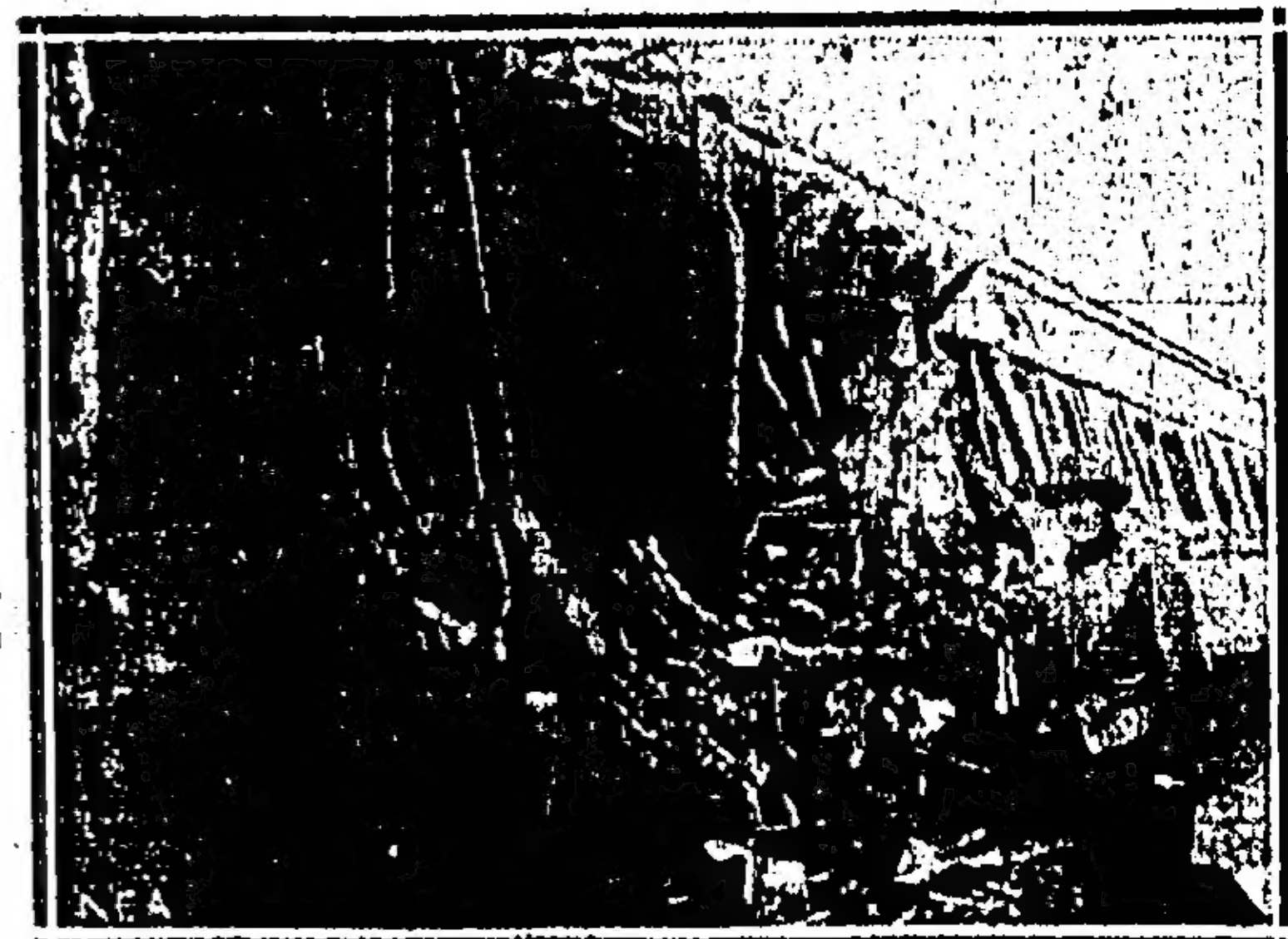
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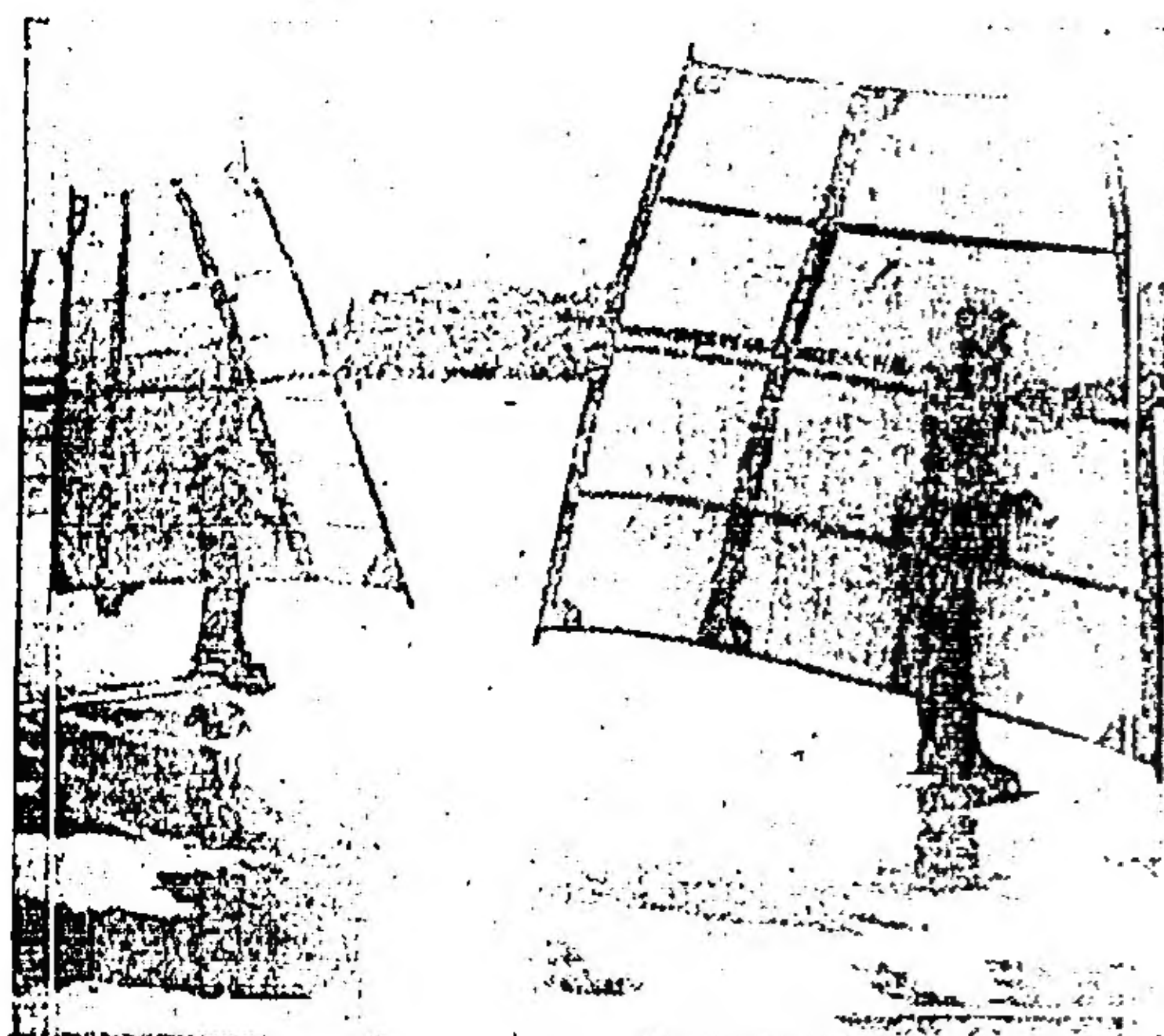
U.S. Secretary of the Navy Wilbur looks into the breech of a big gun on the V-1, new American submarine, and decides it's pretty big.



The ZR-3 is no more. It is the Los Angeles now. Re-christening of America's biggest dirigible and its dedication as a ship of peace is over. Pulling a silken ribbon that released a trap-door and let loose a flock of carrier pigeons, Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, wife of the President, formally bestowed upon the leviathan of the skies its new name. Here Mrs. Coolidge, the President, and Captain Adolphus Andrews, the President's naval aide, are seen arriving at Bolling Field, Washington, for the ceremonies.



Here is a closeup view of the cars of the Wabash passenger train wrecked at Attica, Ind. One of the cars, it will be seen, was almost turned over.



These hardy sons of Sweden test their nerve and skill by skate-sailing. With the sails set on bamboo poles, they can make breath-taking speed, often reaching 60 m.p.h. an hour or more.



Smoldering ruins of the Hobart (Okla.) school are mute evidence of the Christmas Eve tragedy which caused the death of more than 30 persons when the building burned to the ground. A Christmas candle tipped over as Santa Claus delivered his presents to little children, causing the blaze. Above are seen relatives and friends searching the ruins for the bodies.



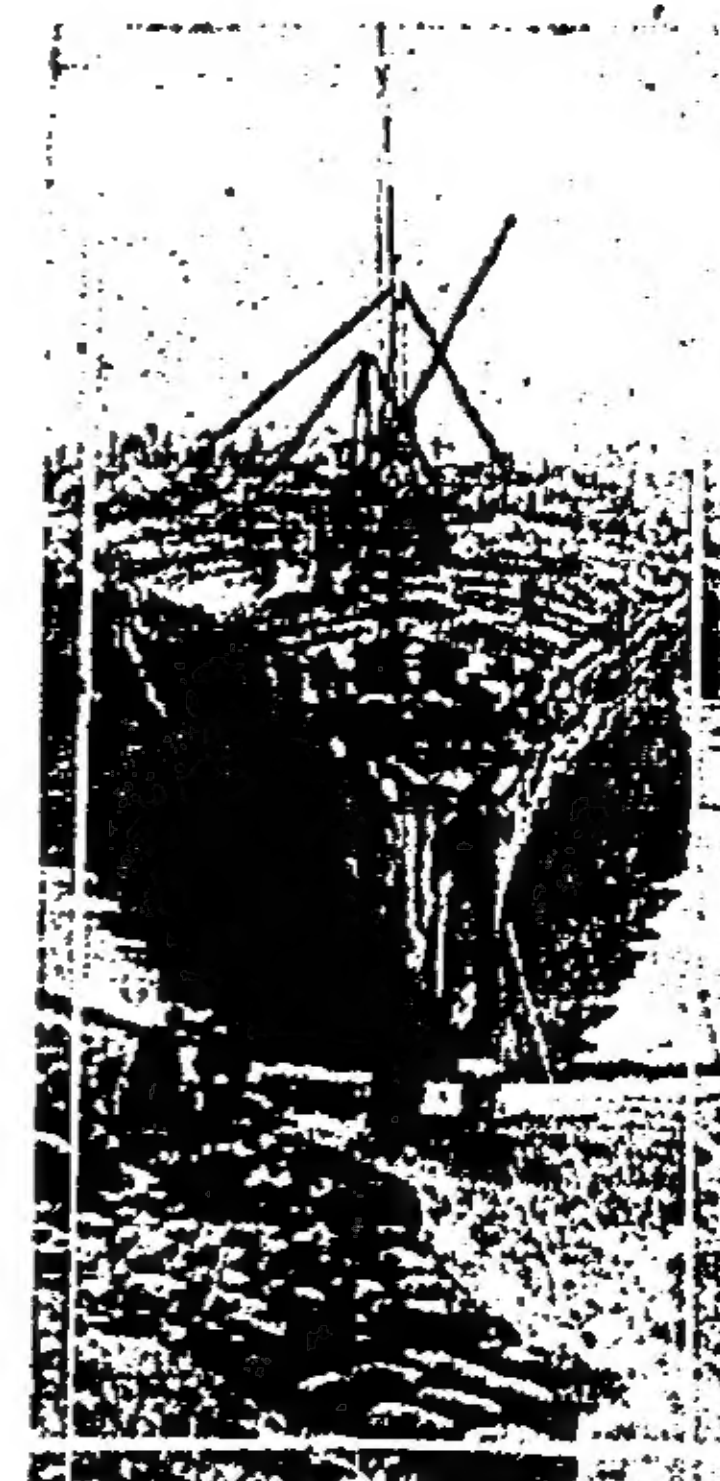
Municipal opera in St. Louis has Americanized Miss Violet Wilson, 19-year-old London girl. After a year and a half in the States, she has obtained a place in the chorus of the St. Louis Opera Company. Now, she declares she is in America to stay.



While people in northern climes bundle up and shiver, the girls dance and frolic in their bathing suits, under the sunny skies of Florida. At Miami, Fla., where this picture was taken, they have formed a Club of States, a bathing beauty club, with official costumes and all.



This photo shows Mr. Ben Newman, the "star" of English billiards, playing a shot in a recent match with Mr. Alex Smith, a supposedly formidable challenger. In this match, however, Smith played the part of the innocent bystander. He was merely a spectator. Newman ran up 669 points without giving Smith a single chance to make a score.



The "Lion," once the flagship of Admiral Beatty's fleet and a maker of history during the war, is being dismantled and prepared for demolition.



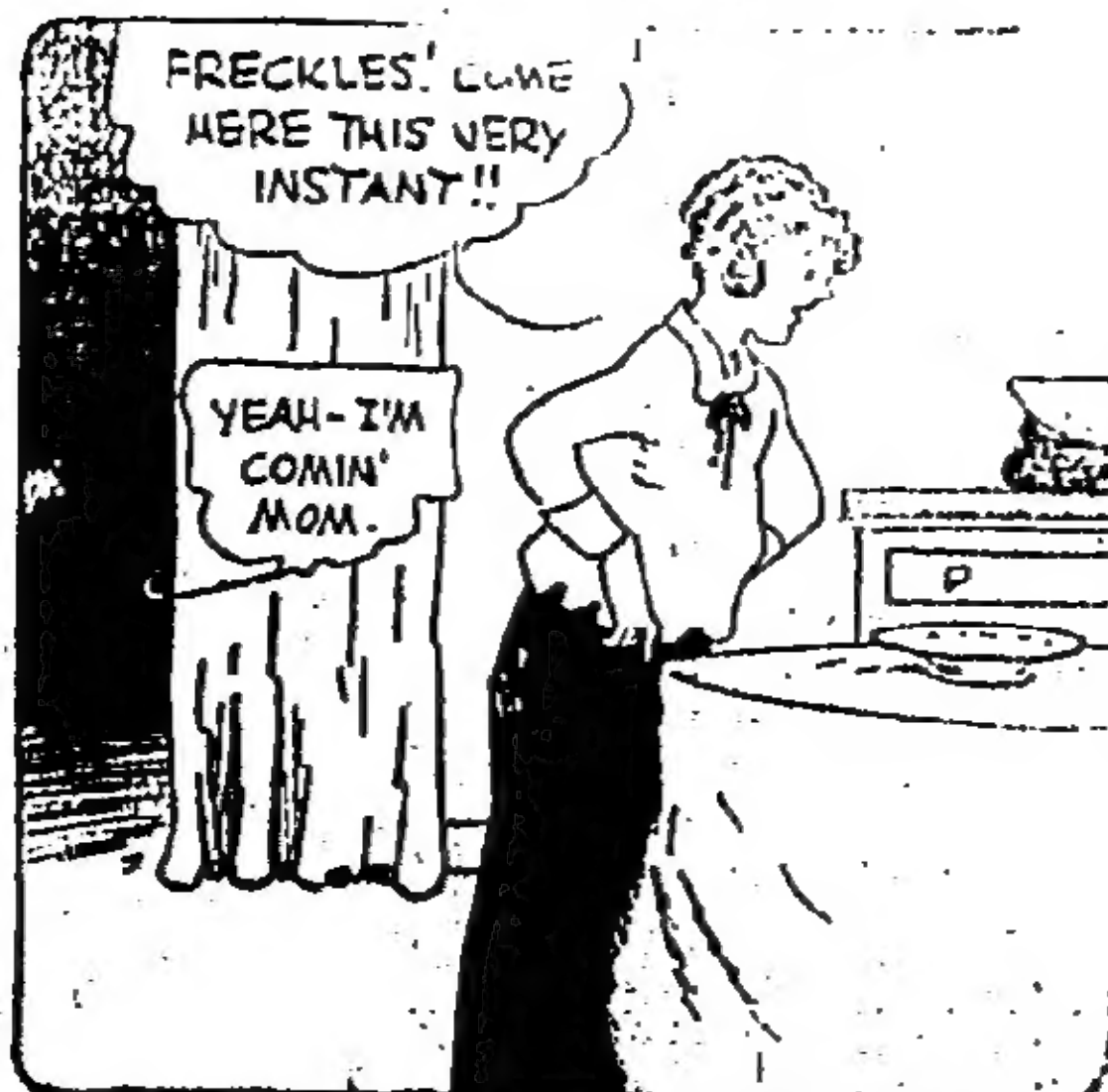
Mrs. Helen Normanton, the first woman barrister, fights for what she believes is right. She fought for years to win admission to the English Bar, being the first woman admitted. She has just won another victory, even more notable. She has succeeded in obtaining a passport to America, in her maiden name. Her husband's name is Clarke. The photo shows her in her legal wig.

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THE CAPTURE OF SHEKLUNG.

Regarding the fighting on the East River front, the Canton Gazette states that secret and effective preparations were recently made by the Canton Government to forestall any attack on Canton, and that on the 4th instant the Government troops from Shektan launched an attack on Sheklung, the result being that that important market town was captured after some fighting. Simultaneously, a thrust was made from the Boca Tigris forts on the line of the Canton Kowloon Railway with the object of clearing it of the enemy. If competent military circles say the Gazette, it is predicted that the entire line of the Canton Kowloon Railway will soon be reopened for through traffic.

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The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Wal-sing	J & Co.	Changhai Swatow	5th Feb.
Chinkiang	B & S	Shanghai	"
Tien		Bangkok Swatow	"
Sun Li	Hong Kee	K'oi Wan Macao	"
Bahera	R Larsen	Keelung	"
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Eng to	La M	Keelung	"
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Sado M.	N Y K	Singapore	10 h Feb.
Atsuta M.	N Y K	Suez	11th
Hiru M.	N Y K	Shanghai	10th
Tokyo M.	N Y K	Manila	1 th
Asahikawa	B & S	Singapore	11th
Yamagata M.	N Y K	Singapore	21st
Kashima M.	N Y K	Suez	13rd

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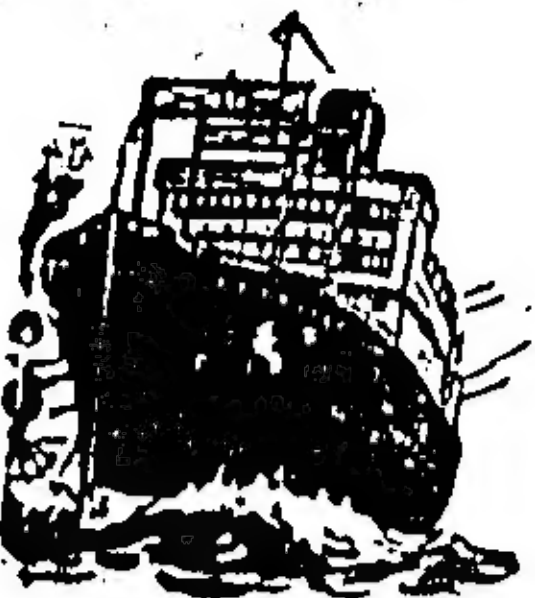
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Redmond	G L	Kowloon	Feb 9	Feb 23	Feb 9
Bombay	D & Co	Kowloon	Feb 9	Feb. 10	Feb. 9
Gompa	J O J L	Kowloon	Feb. 11	Feb. 11	Feb. 11
Porto	R R	Kowloon	Feb. 11	Feb. 14	Feb. 11
Lorano	B L	Holt's	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	Tues. & Fri.

Steamers' Movements.

Antrimdon left Port Bell at 11 a.m. Amsterdam London and Hamburg
Macedonia from Hongkong arrived Macao on 6th Feb. 7 p.m.
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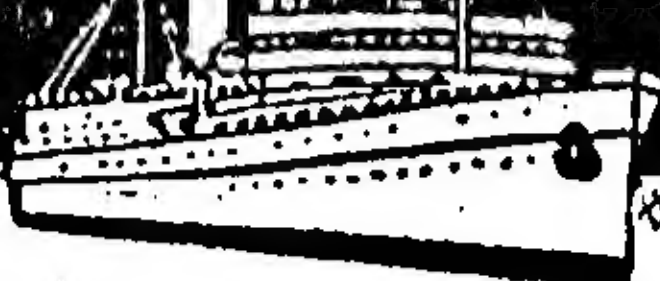
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*EURYPYLUS 21st Feb. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
MERIONES 2nd Mar. Amsterdam, London & Hamburg
*Via Oran

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

(Direct or via Continental Ports)

PROTESILAUS 19th Feb. Genoa, Mars., Liverpool & Glasgow
*ANTILUCHUS 1st Mar. Mars., Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
DOLIUS 20th Mar. Genoa, Marseilles, L'pool & Glasgow
TEUCER 2nd Apr. Mars., Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
*Via Port Sudan

PACIFIC SERVICE

(via Kobe and Yokohama)

TALTHYBIUS 10th Feb. Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver
TYNDARBUS 3rd Mar. Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver

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(via Suez or Panama)

Kt. COMPANION 19th Feb. Boston, New York, Baltimore via Suez
RHESUS 28th Feb. Boston, New York, Baltimore via Suez

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PATROCLUS 10th Mar. for Singapore, Marseilles & London
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From LEITH, MIDDLESBRO,
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"BEN LOMOND"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are
herby informed that all goods
are being landed at their risk
into the hazardous and/or extra
hazardous godowns of the Hong-
kong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Ltd., whence and
or from the wharves, delivery
may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted
after the goods have left the go-
downs, and all goods remaining
undelivered after the 9th. inst.
will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before the 23rd.
inst., or they will not be re-
cognised.

All broken, chafed and damag-
ed goods are to be left in the go-
downs where they will be exam-
ined on the 9th. inst., at 10 a.m.
No Fire Insurance has been
effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON AND
CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd. February 1925.

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The Steamship
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From Trieste, Venice, Brindisi,
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Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf
& Godown Company, Ltd., at
Kowloon, whence and/or from
the wharves delivery may be
obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forward-
ed unless notice to the contrary
be given before 2nd. inst.

No claims will be admitted
after the Goods have left the
Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 9th.
inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the under-
signed on or before the 19th inst.
or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
ed Goods are to be left in the
Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 9th inst. at 10
a.m. by our surveyors Messrs.
Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been
effected.
Bill of Lading will be counter-
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Agents.

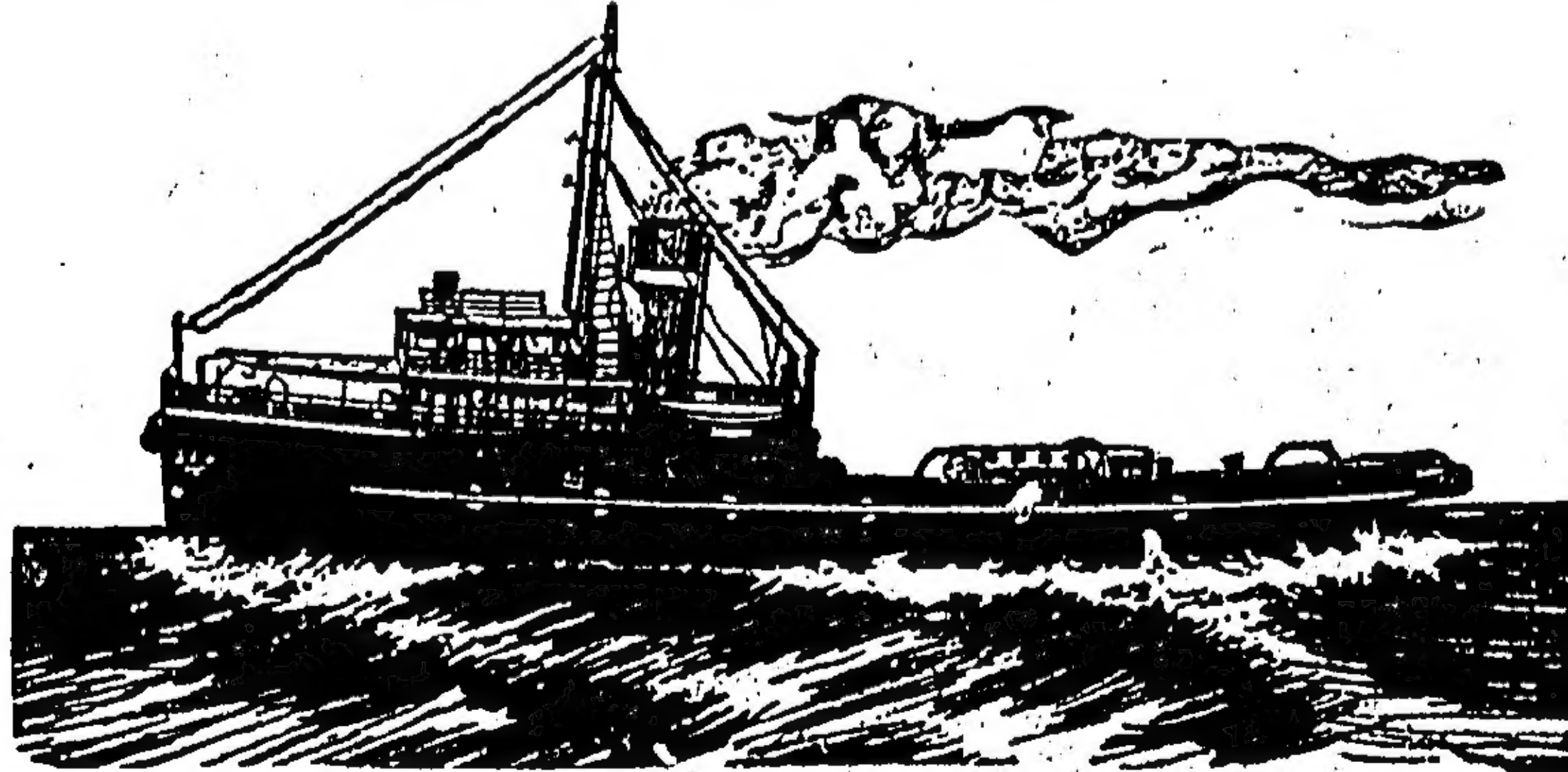
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S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
GARDINIA	6,684	19th Feb.	S'pore, P'ang, C'ho & B'bay
KASHMIR	8,963	21st Feb.	M'los, L'don, Hull & Antwerp
WALWA	10,941	7th Mar.	Marseilles & London
JEYPORE	6,690	11th Mar.	S'pore, P'ang, C'ho & B'bay
GOUDAN	9,005	18th Mar.	S'pore, P'ang, C'ho & B'bay
KASHGAR	5,334	21st Mar.	M'los, London & Antwerp
KID JERPORE	6,813	21st Mar.	Singapore & Bombay
SICILIA	10,902	31st Mar.	S'pore, P'ang, C'ho & B'bay
WANTUA	10,902	4th Apr.	Marseilles & London
KARNATA	9,098	18th Apr.	M'los, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,089	2nd May	Marseilles & London
YARDINIA	6,684	16th May	S'pore, P'ang, C'ho & B'bay
NAGODA	6,684	16th May	Marseilles & London
SUDAN	6,696	28th May	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
MORCA	10,911	30th May	Marseilles & London
KALVAN	9,118	13th June	M'los, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

WILWA	8,500	15th Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
WALWA	8,500	24th Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TAALIWA	7,936	7th Mar.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

WANDA	6,956	28th Feb.	Manila, S'kan, Thursday Is.
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TAALIWA	7,936	13th Feb.	Moji & Kobe
KASHGAR	9,005	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
SUDAN	6,696	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
WANTUA	7,933	2nd Mar.	Moji & Kobe
WANTUA	10,912	7th Mar.	Shanghai & Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	7th Mar.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
SICILIA	6,813	7th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
WANTUA	6,949	10th Mar.	Moji & Kobe
KARALA	9,093	21st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
WALWA	10,900	29th Mar.	Kobe
MACEDONIA	10,089	3rd April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
S. ALBAN	4,500	4th April	Moji & Kobe

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
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GLENIFFER	12th Feb.	GLEN HILL	17th Feb.
GLENHILL	9th March.	PEMBROKE	13th March.
GLENHANE	24th March.	L'don, R'dam & H'burg via Oran	
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GLENADA	21st April.	L'don, R'dam & H'burg via Oran	

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CHANTILLY			15th Feb.
POROS			1st Mar.
ANGKOR	15th Jan.	16th Feb.	15th Mar.
PONT-INEBLEAU	29th Jan.	2nd Mar.	29th Mar.
ANGERS	12th Feb.	12th Mar.	12th Apr.
PAUL LECAT	26th Feb.	30th Mar.	26th Apr.

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YOKOHAMA MARU	...	Tuesday, 27th Feb. at 11 a.m.
KAGA MARU	...	Sunday, 15th Mar. at 11 a.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	...	via Singapore & Ports.
HARUNA MARU	...	Wednesday, 11th Feb. at 11 a.m.
KAMO MARU	...	Wednesday, 25th Feb.
HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM & Ports	...	Tuesday 17th Mar.
LIVERPOOL via ADEN & MARSEILLES.	...	Tuesday 17th Mar.
LIMA MARU	...	Wednesday 11th Feb.
TOBA MARU	...	Tuesday, 10th Mar.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	...	Wednesday 18th Feb. at 11 a.m.
MISHIMA MARU	...	Wednesday, 18th Mar.
TANGO MARU	...	Wednesday, 18th Mar.
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.	...	Monday, 16th Feb.
TAKETOYO MARU	...	Monday, 16th Feb.
BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.	...	Wednesday, 4th Mar.
KAMAKURA MARU	...	Wednesday, 4th Mar.
BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.	...	Wednesday, 11th Feb.
HEIJUN MARU	...	Sunday, 15th Feb.
HAKODATE MARU	...	Sunday, 15th Feb.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	...	Sunday, 8th Feb.
BENGAL MARU	...	Thursday, 19th Feb.
TOMIURA MARU	...	Thursday, 19th Feb.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	...	Thursday, 12th Feb.
TANGO MARU	...	Thursday, 12th Feb.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	...	Thursday, 12th Feb.
ATSUTA MARU	...	Tuesday, 10th Feb. at noon.
SADO MARU	...	Wednesday, 11th Feb.
DELAGOA MARU	...	Thursday, 12th Feb.
KASHIMA MARU	...	Tuesday, 24th Feb.

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S.S. "DUCHESSA D'AOSTA"	...	Sails about 12th Apr.
S.S. "ROSANDRA"	...	Sails about 10th May

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Hailong	A. H. Stewart	TUES, 17th inst. at 1 p.m.

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TIENSI via Chefoo	Chipsing	Tues. 10th Feb. at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Tues. 10th Feb. at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Wed. 11th Feb. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Hangsang	Wed. 11th Feb. at noon.
STAO via S'ow & S'hai	Kingsang	Wed. 11th Feb. at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Wahsang	Fri. 13th Feb. at 7 a.m.
MANILA	Yuensang	Sat. 14th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Foosang	Sun. 15th Feb. at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Hosang	Wed. 18th Feb. at 3 p.m.
YH via Amoy, S'hai & Kobe	Barrymore	Sat. 28th Feb. at 7 a.m.

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S.S. OLDEKERK	27th February.
S.S. GENMA	15th March.
S.S. ZOSMA	End of April.

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S.S. GEMMA	...	6th February.
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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE

Tel. Centr. No. 1674. Agents.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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From Amsterdam Rotterdam Hamburg and Bremen.

The Steamship.

"GEMMA (2)" having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 12th February, 1925, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th Feb. 1925, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 5th Feb., 1925.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MES-SAGERIES MARITIMES.

The Steamship

"PORTHOS"

Consignees of cargo from

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In connection with above steamer are hereby informed that

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whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded

on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before

noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods

remaining unclaimed after Wednesday 11th February 1925, will

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All claims must be sent in to me on or before Saturday,

the 14th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Wednesday the

11th inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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HALL, KOWLOON,
on
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6 p.m.

Members and Kowloon residents generally are cordially invited to attend.

A. MORLEY,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, January 31st, 1925.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
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27th February 1925 both
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W. F. SIMMONS,
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Hongkong, 4th February 1925.

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NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 10th February 1925 at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1924.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, 23rd January to Tuesday, 10th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd February 1925.

THE PEAK HOSPITAL.

AS from 1st February, 1925, and until further notice, rates of admission to the Peak Hospital will be increased to:—
\$10.00 per day...First Class
\$5.00 per day...Second Class
Medicines, Dressings and Drugs, &c., extra as heretofore.

T. A. MARTIN,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1925.

NOTICE.

THE Painters' Guild notify the Public that on and after January, 24th, 1925, the wages of all members of the guild are subject to an increase of 31%. This increase has been agreed to by a Master Painters who have duly placed their seal on the agreement.

THE PAINTERS' GUILD
and
LUEN SING PAINTERS' GUILD.
Hongkong 3rd February, 1925.

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NOTICE is hereby given that on the 19th December, 1924, the name of the Chino American Industrial Developing Co., Ltd., was changed and the company will thereafter be known as "The Hongkong Excavation, Pile Driving, and Construction Co., Limited."

The Company will continue to carry on business as structural engineers and building contractors as heretofore under the new name.

C. B. SHANK,
Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd Dec., 1924.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. LAM CHAN WAI has relinquished his position as Chief Secretary of The Sincere Co., Limited, and any acts by him are for his own account for which this company will not be responsible.

THE SINCERE CO., LTD.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW of FLOWERS and VEGETABLES will be held at VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, 5th March, 1925.
ENTRIES will DEFINITELY CLOSE at 1 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 26th February, 1925, at the Hon. Secretary's Office, but it is hoped that intending Exhibitors WILL SEND in their ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

SCHEDULES are now being printed and will be posted at an early date. Members who have not yet paid their subscription and ALL THOSE who wish to join the SOCIETY are kindly requested to send \$5 immediately to the Hon. Secretary Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, c/o Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.

EXCHANGE.

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